

Approved: May 7, 2008  
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## MINUTES OF THE SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dwayne Umbarger at 10:40 A.M. on March 6, 2008 in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Carolyn McGinn - excused

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters, Senior Assistant, Revisor of Statutes  
Kristen Clarke Kellems, Assistant Revisor of Statutes  
Mike Heim, Assistant Revisor of Statutes  
Audrey Dunkel, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Reed Holwegner, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
J. G. Scott, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Jarod Waltner, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Melinda Gaul, Chief of Staff, Senate Ways & Means  
Mary Shaw, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Dr. Edward Hammond, President, Fort Hays State University  
Diane Lindeman, Director of Student Financial Assistance, Kansas Board of Regents

Others attending:

See attached list.

Copies of the Kansas Legislative Research Department Budget Analysis Report for FY 2008 and FY 2009 were available to the committee.

### **Subcommittee reports on:**

#### **Judicial Council (Attachment 1)**

Subcommittee Chairman Jay Emler reported that the subcommittee on the Judicial Council concurs with the Governor's recommendation in FY 2008 with adjustments and notations and concurs with the Governor's FY 2009 recommendation with adjustments and comments.

Senator Emler moved, with a second by Senator Taddiken, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on the Judicial Council in FY 2008 and FY 2009. Motion carried on a voice vote.

#### **Board of Indigents' Defense Services**

Subcommittee Chairman Jay Emler reported that the subcommittee on the Board of Indigents' Defense Services concurs with the Governor's recommendation in FY 2008 and concurs with the Governor's FY 2009 recommendation with adjustments and comments.

Senator Wysong moved, with a second by Senator Schodorf, to amend the subcommittee budget report on the Board of Indigents' Defense Services, in FY 2009, Item No. 2, and keep the \$240,000 from the State General Fund for salary enhancements and consider the additional \$10,000 at Omnibus from the State General Fund. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Emler moved, with a second by Senator Goodwin, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on the Board of Indigents' Defense Services in FY 2008 and FY 2009 as amended. Motion carried on a voice vote.

CONTINUATION SHEET

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**Judicial Branch**

Subcommittee Chairman Jay Emler reported that the subcommittee on the Judicial Branch concurs with the Governor's recommendation in FY 2008 and concurs with the Governor's FY 2009 recommendation with adjustments and comments.

Senator Emler moved, with a second by Senator Goodwin, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on the Judicial Branch in FY 2008 and FY 2009. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Chairman Umbarger opened the public hearing on:

**SB 651—Appropriations for the state board of regents; funding for the Kansas academy for math and science**

Staff briefed the committee on the bill.

The Chairman welcomed Dr. Edward Hammond, President, Fort Hays State University, who testified in support of **SB 651** (Attachment 2). Dr. Hammond referred to his written testimony regarding the Kansas Academy for Math and Science (KAMS) program. He also added budgeting information. Dr. Hammond emphasized that multi year funding is necessary and it is why **SB 651** is drafted in a certain manner.

Written testimony was submitted by:

Reginald Robinson, President and CEO, Kansas Board of Regents (Attachment 3)

The Chairman closed the public hearing on **SB 651**.

Senator Kelly moved, with a second by Senator Teichman, to recommend SB 651 favorable for passage. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

The Chairman welcomed Diane Lindeman, Director of Student Financial Assistance, Kansas Board of Regents, who presented an overview of the State-Funded Obligation Scholarship Programs (Attachment 4). She detailed the information in a chart that was attached to her written testimony and addressed the undergraduate and graduate programs.

Chairman Umbarger turned the Committee's attention to discussion of:

**SB 485—Counties; alternative building construction procurement**

The Revisor explained a balloon amendment that was requested (Attachment 5) which would put the language contained in **SB 594** into **SB 485**. Senator Taddiken moved, with a second by Senator Kelly, to adopt the balloon amendment. Motion carried on a voice vote.

The Revisor explained another balloon amendment (Attachment 6) that included the requested Johnson County amendments (mostly technical). Senator Steineger moved, with a second by Senator Betts, to amend the balloon on page 5 regarding posting public notice to add "publish in an official county newspaper."

Senator Emler made a substitute motion, with a second by Senator Taddiken, to amend the balloon to expand to "notice" only. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Chairman Umbarger delayed any further action on **SB 485** and requested that the committee review the bill at this point and asked the interested parties to get together and discuss the bill at this point.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m. The next meeting was scheduled for March 7, 2008.