

MINUTES OF THE SENATE WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dave Kerr at 11:00 a.m. on March 27, 2000 in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Alan Conroy, Chief Fiscal Analyst, KLRD
Rae Anne Davis, KS Legislative Research Department
Debra Hollon, KS Legislative Research Department
Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes
Michael Corrigan, Asst. Revisor of Statutes
Judy Bromich, Administrative Assistant to the Chairman
Ronda Miller, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:
Randy Hearrell, Judicial Council

Others attending: See attached list

HB 2323: State agencies; methods of payment of fees, tuition and other charges

The revisor explained that new subsection (c) in the balloon version of the bill responds to a Kansas State University concern regarding a conflict with the Consumer Credit Code, new subsection (d) was written in response to a concern expressed by the legal staff of the Department of Corrections, and new subsection (e) would allow Washburn University, community colleges and vocational-technical schools to accept payment of fees in the form of a credit card (Attachment 1).

Senator Salisbury offered a motion which was seconded by Senator Morris to amend HB 2323 with new subsections (c), (d), and (e). The motion carried on a voice vote.

It was moved by Senator Salisbury and seconded by Senator Lawrence that HB 2323 as amended be recommended favorably for passage. The motion carried on a roll call vote.

HB 2570: Creating a task force on consolidation of public safety agencies

Members concurred that there should be greater involvement on the part of local law enforcement in the study of consolidation of public safety agencies. It was moved by Senator Morris and seconded by Senator Jordan that the bill be amended to indicate that the task force would consist of up to 11 members including those mentioned in the bill with the exception that five persons would be appointed by the Governor, at least two of which would be representative of local law enforcement and the balance could not be members of the Legislature and that the effective reporting date be changed to January 1, 2001. The motion to amend carried on a voice vote.

Senator Lawrence moved, Senator Jordan seconded, that HB 2570 as amended be recommended favorably for passage. The motion carried on a roll call vote.

SB 3009: Establishing the publications fee fund in the judicial council

Randy Hearrell, Executive Director of the Kansas Judicial Council appeared before the Committee in support of **SB 3009** and reviewed his written testimony (Attachment 2). Mr. Hearrell, in answer to the Chairman, stated that he was hoping the fees would pay for all the staff time it takes to prepare and distribute the various legal publications. The Chairman noted that one advantage of passing the bill is that it eliminates a proviso and the Legislature would still have access to the Publications Fee Fund if the money was needed.

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Senator Feleciano moved, Senator Petty seconded, that **HB 3009** be recommended favorably for passage. The motion carried on a roll call vote.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m. The next meeting is March 29, 2000.