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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Representative Mike Burgess, Chair, at 3:35 p.m. on January 31, 2011, in Room 546-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:
      Julian Efird, Legislative Research
      Iraida Orr, Legislative Research
      Katherine McBride, Revisor of Statutes
      Renae Jefferies, Revisor of Statutes
      Linda Herrick, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:
      Richard Cram, Kansas Department of Revenue

Others attending:
      (see attached list)

Chair Burgess introduced Richard Cram, Director of Policy and Research, Kansas Department of Revenue. Mr. Cram introduced Kathleen Smith, tax specialist and expert on tax credits and business incentive programs, who accompanies him today. Mr. Cram noted that his presentation centers around the response to the Legislative Post Audit (LPA) report on tax credits concerning deficiencies in the data collection methodology. A copy of the response furnished last February to the Legislative Post Audit Department was provided (Attachment 1). There is some updated information that Ms. Smith has gathered which Mr Cram included in his report. Chair Burgess thanked Mr. Cram for his presentation.

Chair Burgess announced the briefings that will come before the Government Efficiency Committee the remainder of this week. Because of the snow storm predicted, the Chair reminded the committee to listen to the television station for possible legislative session cancellation, thus committee meeting cancellations.

The committee has not introduced a bill on performance measurements. Chair Burgess made a motion to request the introduction of a bill on performance measurements, Representative Ruiz seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by the committee members.

There was no other business to come before the committee.

The next meeting will be the day the Legislature comes back to work after the snow storm.

The meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.