

Approved: March 5, 2012
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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TAXATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Richard Carlson at 3:33 pm on Thursday, January 26, 2012, in Room 783 of Docking State Office Building.

Members excused were:

Representative Steve Brunk
Representative Terry Calloway
Representative Owen Donohoe

Committee staff present:

Gordon Self, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Scott Wells, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Chris Courtwright, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Chris Sevedge, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Chuck Reimer, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Allen Jeffus, Office Assistant
Phyllis Fast, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Kim Winn, Kansas League of Municipalities
Eileen King, Riley County Treasurer
Linda Buttron, Jefferson County Treasurer

Others attending: See attached list.

Introduction of Bills:

Representative Goico made a motion to have a bill regarding a holiday on food sales during the week prior to Thanksgiving and a holiday on food sales during the week prior to Christmas. Representative Frownfelter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Carlson opened a hearing on:

HB 2176 – Taxing subdivisions; budget submission date.

Chris Courtwright briefed the committee on **HB 2176** indicating a date from the 1800s used for the budgeting process is being changed. He stood for questions.

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CONTINUATION SHEET

Minutes of the HOUSE TAXATION Committee at 3:33 PM on Thursday, January 26, 2012 in 783-DSOB.

Kim Winn testified in support of **HB 2176** saying that the extra 30 days would assist the local units of government with their annual budget process. (Attachment 1) She stood for questions.

Written only testimony in support of **HB 2176** was presented by: Doug Robinson, Lenexa Finance Director (Attachment 2); Ron Fehr, Manhattan City Manager (Attachment 3); Steve Stubbers, Westwood Mayor (Attachment 4); John Sweet, Lyons City administrator (Attachment 5); and Katie Killen, City of Shawnee (Attachment 6).

No neutral testimony for **HB 2176** was presented.

Eileen King testified in opposition to **HB 2176**, saying that it would subtract 30 “very necessary” days for counties to be able to process taxes each year. (Attachment 7) She stood for questions.

Linda Buttron represented the Kansas Association of County Clerks and Election Officials, testified in opposition to **HB 2176**, saying that it disrupts the entire tax schedule for county clerks by reducing the amount of time needed to complete the process. Her testimony represented seven additional testimonies from county clerks in opposition to **HB 2176** listed below. (Attachment 8) She stood for questions.

Written only testimony in opposition to **HB 2176** was presented by Kelly Arnold, Sedgwick County Clerk (Attachment 9); Jamie Shew, Douglas County Clerk (Attachment 10); John Bartolac, Johnson County Department of Records and Tax Administration (Attachment 11); Sherry L. Reibel, Allen County Clerk (Attachment 12); Ronald Roberts, Butler County Clerk (Attachment 13); Janet White, Miami County Clerk (Attachment 14); Karen D. Defore, Cowley County Clerk (Attachment 15); Randall Allen, Kansas Association of Counties (Attachment 16); and Cynthia Beck, Shawnee County Clerk (Attachment 17).

After all questions from the Committee were answered, Chairman Carlson closed the hearing on **HB 2176**.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for 3:30 pm Monday, January 30, 2012, 783-DSOB.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.

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