

## MINUTES OF THE SENATE ETHICS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Terri Huntington at 9:40 AM. on Wednesday, January 18, 2012 in of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Mike Petersen

Committee staff present:

Ellen Martinez, Committee Assistant

Jill Shelley, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Laura Jurgensen, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Mike Heim, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Others in attendance:

See attached list.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and introduced the Committee staff members present.

The Chairman asked for bill introductions. Senator Schmidt requested that the "Stand by Your Ad" bill be reconsidered again this session. *Senator Schmidt moved, seconded by Senator Brungardt. Motion carried.*

Jill Shelley, Kansas Legislative Research Department, presented an overview of Ethics and Elections bills passed by the Senate, currently in the House to include: **SB 17-Increasing campaign contribution limits for candidates for the state board of education** and **SB 145-Elections; corrupt political advertising; stand by your ads requirement**. Ethics and Elections bills in the House Elections Committee whose contents passed in the 2011 Session were: **SB 126-Elections; campaign finance; public service ads by candidates restricted** and **SB 128-Presidential preference primary election; date delayed**. The bill remaining in Conference Committee is **SB 129-House Substitute for SB 129 by Committee on Elections -- Elections; voter photographic identification requirements; election date changes; voter registration records**. (Attachment 1)

Staff distributed a map from NCSL with Voter Identification requirements. (Attachment 2) Also given was a analysis of Voter Identification requirements from NCSL (Attachment 3) and a map showing the Voting Rights Act. (Attachment 4)

The Chairman indicated that there was a great deal of discussion after the 2011 Session regarding the questions and concerns from constituents about the **HB 2067-Voter photographic identification requirements**.

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## CONTINUATION SHEET

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The meeting scheduled for January 19, 2012 was cancelled.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 AM.

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