

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE CORRECTIONS & JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ward Loyd at 1:30 P.M. on January 12, 2005 in Room 241-N of the Capitol.

Committee members absent:

Carol Beggs- excused
Mike Peterson- excused

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes Office
Diana Lee, Revisor of Statutes Office
Jerry Ann Donaldson, Kansas Legislative Research
Becky Krahl, Kansas Legislative Research
Reagan Cussimano, Kansas Legislative Research
Connie Burns, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Jeff Bottenberg, KS Sheriff Association

Others attending:

See Attached List.

Chairperson Loyd welcomed the committee with introduction committee members and new staff members. The rules for the committee and for conferees appearing before the committee.

Jeff Bottenberg, Kansas Sheriffs' Association, appeared before the committee to request bill introduction. (Attachment 1) Inherently dangerous felonies.

Representative Davis made a motion that this request should be introduced as a committee bill.

Representative Owens seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Representative Ward appeared before the committee to request the introduction of bills. (Attachment 2)

1. Death penalty; if aggravating circumstances outweigh mitigating circumstances, the sentence is death; if circumstances are equal, the defendant is not sentenced to death.

Representative Swenson made a motion that this request should be introduced as a committee bill.

Representative Kelsey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. Creating the office of district attorney in judicial districts that vote for approval.

Representative Owens made a motion that this request should be introduced as a committee bill.

Representative Crow seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Chairman Loyd requested a bill introduction on requiring county jail officers to complete basic course of training.

Representative Owens made a motion that this request should be introduced as a committee bill.

Representative Kelsey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The chairman highlighted significant issues that will be before the committee this session.

The committee meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm. The next meeting was scheduled for January 18, 2005.