

MINUTES OF THE SENATE ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Huelskamp at 1:35 P.M. on January 18, 2005 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

Committee members absent: None

Committee staff present: Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Mike Heim, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes
Janet Engel, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Carol Williams, Ethics Commission

Others attending: See attached list.

Senator Dennis Wilson was introduced. He is replacing Senator Ralph Ostmeier on the committee.

Bill introductions

It was moved by Senator Wilson and seconded by Senator O'Connor that the committee introduce the bill related to simplifying the annual application process for the Homestead Act. This is something Senator Wilson brings to the committee from a group of county clerks and county treasurers. Motion carried.

It was moved by Senator O'Connor and seconded by Senator Reitz that the committee introduce a bill related to safety issues about roofing shingles. This is a bill that Mr. Wilke has drafted and is ready to introduce. The motion carried

Carol Williams from the Government Ethics Commission reported on recommendations from the Ethics Commission. See Attachment 1 for the written report. She asked the committee to introduce the five bills as reported. It was moved by Senator Francisco and seconded by Senator Betts to introduce each of these bills separately. The motion carried.

Senator Huelskamp asked the committee and the audience for additional bill requests. There were none.

Closing

The next meeting is Thursday, January 20, 2005.

There being no further business, the committee adjourned at 2:07 p.m.