

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CALENDAR AND PRINTING

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Arlen Siegfroid at 3:05 p.m. on February 14, 2012 in Room 172-W of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Jeff Russell, Director, Kansas Legislative Administrative Services

Others attending:

Ryan Gilliland, Administrative Assistant, Majority Leader Siegfroid's Office

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. Representative Siegfroid indicated the purpose of the meeting was to consider **HB 2733-Legislative page compensation; remuneration of not less than \$3.00 value.** He noted that staff had provided a summary of the bill being considered (Attachment 1).

The Chairperson then recognized Jeff Russell, Director of Legislative Administrative Services who supported the bill and indicated that it offered an option to the current practice of reimbursing pages for their day service at the Capitol. He told members of the Committee that current law mandates pages be paid \$3.00 per day. He informed the Committee that the cost of processing the checks was \$6.00 not counting postage or the \$3.00 value of the check. He also noted that 45 percent of the checks were never cashed.

Mr. Russell informed the members of the Committee that an alternative would be a concept reflected in the bill to provide coupons to pages which could be redeemed at the snack bar in the Capitol. (Attachment 2).

No other conferees appeared on the bill.

Members of the Committee discussed the economic viability of the snack bar in the Capitol and the need to ensure its existence. The Committee discussed the need to consider the reallocation of space on the 3rd Floor in order for the snack bar to be on that level in the Capitol. It was suggested that the reallocation of space be a consideration at the next Legislative Coordinating Council meeting.

After discussion, it was suggested that the contents of **SB 118** be deleted and replaced with the contents of **HB 2733** in order to expedite the process in getting the legislation passed. *Representative Mast made a motion, seconded by Representative Ballard, to remove the contents of SB 118 and replacing them with the contents of HB 2733, thus making a substitute bill. The motion carried.*

The meeting was then adjourned.