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MINUTES OF THE SENATE ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Huelskamp at 1:32 P.M. on February 22, 2005 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

Committee members absent: Kay O'Connor - excused

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: None

Others attending: See attached list.

SB 80 - Open records; public agency; certain records excluded. Chairman Huelskamp announced that this bill has been blessed to continue in subcommittee.

SB 142 - Elections; security of advance voting ballots. Potential amendments were provided as suggested by the Secretary of State's office (Attachment 1). It was moved by Senator O'Connor and seconded by Senator Betts to amend the bill as presented. The motion carried.

It was moved by Senator O'Connor and seconded by Senator Betts to report the bill favorably as amended . The motion carried.

SB 34 - Continuation of certain exceptions to disclosure of records. Chairman Huelskamp apologized that the bill was not heard until yesterday and needs to be worked today. He was of the understanding that the House of Representatives planned to work a corresponding bill. The chairman suggested an amendment to extend the exceptions for just one year to permit time for more careful consideration. Senator O'Connor added that some exceptions were worked very quickly during the summer session and still deserve more time. A potential amendment was distributed (Attachment 2) which will extend the exceptions for one year. It was moved by Senator O'Connor and seconded by Senator Peterson to amend the bill as presented. The motion to amend carried.

A potential amendment was distributed (Attachment 3) to add the definition for "Clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy" . It was moved by Senator O'Connor and seconded by Senator Betts to amend the bill as presented. The motion to amend carried.

It was moved by Senator Francisco and seconded by Senator Pyle to pass this bill favorably as amended . The motion carried.

SB 164 - Cities; quarterly reports, publication of. It was moved by Senator Betts and seconded by Senator Donovan to amend this bill by adding HB 2083 into SB 164 with the entire bill taking effect from and after its publication in the Kansas Register. Copies of HB 2083 and its supplemental note were provided in the committee bill books and are not attached to these minutes. Mike Heim, committee staff, fielded questions about dual majority. The motion to amend carried with Senators Reitz and Wilson asking to have their opposition noted in the minutes.

It was moved by Senator Donovan and seconded by Senator Francisco to amend line 16 on page 2 to permit 180 days instead of the 60 as printed. The motion to amend carried.

It was moved by Senator Betts and seconded by Senator O'Connor to pass this bill favorably as amended . The motion carried with Senators Reitz and Wilson asking to have their opposition noted in the minutes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:04 p.m.