

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON KPERS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sharon Schwartz at 8:00 a.m. on March 19, 2010, in Room 142-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Clark Shultz, Excused

Representative Robert Olson, Absent

Committee staff present:

Gordon Self, Office of the Revisor of Statutes

Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Michael Steiner, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Carol Bertram, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Others attending:

See attached list.

Julian Efird, Legislative Research Department, briefed the Committee on **HB 2400 - As Amended**. He stated **HB 2400** as amended in 2009 would raise the annual cap on employer contribution increases from the current 0.6 percent to 1.0 percent for the state's payments for KPERS state and school groups, effective July 1, 2011. In addition, the bill would appropriate \$18.41 million from federal stimulus funds for the additional costs attributed to the FY 2011 annual increase of 1.0 percent. He reviewed a couple of changes the Committee could make to update and revise the bill, and distributed a summary regarding the latest developments related to KPERS (Attachment #1).

Questions and answers followed where a full discussion by the Committee ensued.

It was moved by Representative Carlson, seconded by Representative Lane to amend **HB 2400** by changing the implementation date to July 1, 2012 and striking section 2 of the bill. A new section two was added to the bill authorizing the use of money from the Expanded Lottery Act to be used for KPERS. The motion carried

It was moved by Representative Carlson, seconded by Representative Lane to recommend **HB 2400** favorably for passage as amended. The motion carried.

A letter in support of **HB 2400** from Jane Carter, Executive Director, Kansas Organization of State Employees (KOSE), was received by Chair Schwartz and distributed to the Committee members for their information (Attachment #2).

For informational purposes, Julian Efird distributed copies of a statement which projects the number of state employees eligible for **HB 2730** provisions age 62+ with 10 or more years of service as of July 1, 2010 (Attachment #3).

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

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Representative Sharon Schwartz, Chair