

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ron Ryckman at 2:30pm on Tuesday, March 22, 2016, 112-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Amanda Grosserode – Excused
Representative Daniel Hawkins – Excused
Representative Mark Kahrs – Excused

Committee staff present:

Kathy Holscher, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant
David Fye, Legislative Research Department
Jennifer Ouellette, Legislative Research Department
Jill Wolters, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Daniel Yoza, Office of Revisor of Statutes
J.G. Scott, Legislative Research Department
Melinda Gaul, Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

No conferees present

Others in attendance:

No list available

Opening Remarks

Chairman Ryckman called the meeting to order.

Bill introductions

Representative Highland made a motion to introduce legislation regarding school finance. Representative Rhoades seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Informational hearing: HB2740 — Amendments to the CLASS Act regarding supplemental general state aid and capital outlay state aid.

Chairman Ryckman opened the informational hearing on **HB 2740**. He stated that a court reporter will be preparing the transcript on the proceedings of this committee meeting.

Jason Long, Office of Revisor of Statutes provided the bill brief ([Attachment 1](#)). The bill addresses amendments to the CLASS Act, in regards to establishing a statutory formula for determining supplemental general state aid and capital outlay state aid.

Jason Long responded to questions from committee members.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES of the Committee on Appropriations at 2:30pm on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 in Room 112-N of the Capitol.

Discussion on the bill followed by committee members as related to equitable funding issues, legislative compliance as related to the Supreme Court's ruling, and the commitment to ensure the schools will remain open.

Dale Dennis, Commissioner of Education, Kansas State Department of Education, provided an overview on the effects of the proposed plan on supplemental general (LOB) state aid, capital outlay state aid and hold harmless state aid ([Attachment 2](#)) .

Dale Dennis responded to questions from committee members.

Chairman Ryckman closed discussion on the bill.

Chairman Ryckman stated that a hearing on **HB 2740** is scheduled for tomorrow's committee meeting.

The transcript of this committee meeting, as prepared by a transcriptionist, has been included ([Attachment 3](#)) .

Meeting adjourned at: 3:10 pm