

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson John Barker at 3:30 pm on Tuesday, January 27, 2015, 112-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Janice Pauls – Excused
Representative Jim Ward – Excused
Representative Annie Kuether – Excused

Committee staff present:

Lauren Douglass, Legislative Research Department
Robert Allison-Gallimore, Legislative Research Department
Katherine Goyette, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Jason Thompson, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Connie Bahner, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Sandy Horton, Executive Director, Kansas Sheriffs Association
Eric Williams, Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Bill introductions

Chairperson Barker opened the floor for bill introductions.

Representative Dennis Highberger introduced a bill relating to the campaign finance act and the retention elections of supreme court and court of appeals judges. The bill was accepted.

Representative Stephen Becker introduced a bill relating to crimes, punishment and criminal procedure, specifically, murder in the second degree and sentencing certain persons to a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment. The bill was accepted.

Representative Craig McPherson introduced a house concurrent resolution relating to judicial selection reform; having the House Judiciary Committee replace the nominating commission, gubernatorial appointment and senate confirmation. The bill was accepted.

Representative Craig McPherson introduced a bill relating to church property. The bill was accepted.

Representative Jack Thimesch introduced a bill relating to expungement of DUI convictions. The bill was accepted.

Hearing on: HB2022 — Qualifications for office of sheriff.

Chairperson Barker opened the hearing on **HB2022**. Katherine Goyette of the Office of Revisor of Statutes gave an overview of the bill.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES of the Committee on Judiciary at 3:30 pm on Tuesday, January 27, 2015, 112-N of the Capitol.

Chairperson Barker recognized Sandy Horton, Executive Director of the Kansas Sheriffs Association, as a proponent of **HB2022** ([Attachment 1](#)). Questions were directed to the proponent by Representative Mark Kahrs, Chairperson Barker, Representatives John Carmichael, Leslie Osterman, Blaine Finch, John Whitmer, and Kyle Hoffman.

Chairperson Barker asked the committee to review K.S.A. 74-5605, the qualifications of law enforcement officers.

There being no further conferees, Chairperson Barker closed the hearing on **HB2022**.

Hearing on: HB2025 — Amending the Kansas law enforcement training act.

Chairperson Barker opened the hearing on **HB2025**. Katherine Goyette, Office of the Revisor of Statutes, gave an overview of the bill.

Chairperson Barker recognized as a proponent Eric Williams, on behalf of the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training ([Attachment 2](#)). Questions were asked by Representatives Blaine Finch, Mark Kahrs, Stephen Becker, and John Carmichael.

Chairperson Barker noted that there is written testimony by Ed Klumpp ([Attachment 3](#)).

There were no opponents to the bill.

Chairperson Barker closed the hearing on **HB2025**.

Lauren Douglass advised the committee that **ERO 43** has been assigned to the House Health and Human Services Committee.

There being no further business, Chairperson Barker adjourned the meeting at 4:15 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2015.