Approved: March 19, 2015

## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TAXATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Marvin Kleeb at 3:30pm on Tuesday, February 10, 2015, 582-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Kasha Kelley – Excused

Representative Dennis Hedke – Excused

Representative Tom Sawyer – Excused

Committee staff present:

Phyllis Fast, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant

Chris Courtwright, Legislative Research Department

Scott Wells, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Mike Taylor, Unified Government (Wyandotte County & K.C. Kansas)

Nathan Eberline, Kansas Association of Counties

Larry Baer, League of Kansas Municipalities

Scott Gates, Kansas State Treasurer's Office

Others in attendance:

See Attached List

Representative Louis Ruiz substituted for Minority Member Tom Sawyer.

## **Bill introductions**

Representative Tietze requested a bill be introduced concerning a tax exemption for Helping Hands. <u>Ranking Minority Member Ruiz made a motion to introduce the bill. Representative Ryckman Sr. seconded the motion. Motion passed.</u>

Representative Whipple made a motion to introduce a bill concerning tax refunds for higher education textbooks. Representative Wolfe Moore seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## Hearing on: HB2196 — De minimis abandoned property.

Representative Kleeb opened a hearing on **HB2196**.

Scott Wells briefed the Committee on <u>HB2196</u> by explaining issues concerning unclaimed property of less than \$20 abandoned with governmental entities. He stood for questions.

Mike Taylor presented testimony in support of <u>HB2196</u> by detailing the effectiveness of administrative duties concerning unclaimed property. He stood for questions. (<u>Attachment 1</u>)

Nathan Eberline presented testimony in support of <u>HB2196</u> by supporting in detail, the previous testimony. He stood for questions. (<u>Attachment 2</u>)

## CONTINUATION SHEET

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Larry Baer presented testimony in support of <u>HB2196</u> by describing how "the bill has the potential to have a positive fiscal impact upon Kansas cities". He stood for questions. (<u>Attachment 3</u>)

No testimony neutral for **HB2196** was presented.

Scott Gates presented testimony in opposition to <u>HB2196</u> by describing how the state treasurer's office handles unclaimed property. He stood for questions. (<u>Attachment 4</u>)

When all questions from the Committee were answered, Chairman Kleeb closed the hearing on **HB2196**.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:11 pm.