

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kenny Wilk at 9:05 a.m. on March 13, 2001, in Room 514-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Phil Kline

Committee staff present: Alan Conroy, Legislative Research  
Rae Anne Davis, Legislative Research  
Jim Wilson, Revisor of Statutes  
Mike Corrigan, Revisor of Statutes  
Nikki Feuerborn, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Tom Day, Kansas Corporation Committee

Others attending: See Attached

Chairman Wilk announced that the following KPERS bills would be reported by the Budget Committee and would be discussed with possible action this week:

Representative Stone moved for the approval of the minutes of February 20 and 28, and March 1, 5 and 6. Motion was seconded by Representative Feuerborn. Motion carried.

**HB 2363**– Minimum retirement benefit amount for certain school retirants

**HB 2507** – Election for 8% deferred compensation plan for legislative staff agency employees

**HB 2523** – Purchase of service credit for certain members of the Kansas police and firemen’s retirement system

**HB 2534** – Procurement requirement for obtaining certain services by KPERS board of trustees

**HB 2537** –Appointment of officers and employees by KPERS board

**HB 2538**– KPERS, participating employer to certify member contributions upon retirement and responsible for any overpayments

**HB 2542**– Retirement, KPERS, benefits, technical compliance amendments

Chairman Wilk appointed a subcommittee for review of **HB 2555** and **HB 2556** naming Representative Neufeld as Chairman with the following members: Representatives Landwehr, Ballard, Bethell, and Nichols.

Chairman Wilk reopened the Committee consideration of the Budget Committee report on the Governor’s budget recommendations for the Department of Commerce and Housing FY 2002 which was being heard on March 12, 2001.

Representative Campbell withdrew his motion to amend the Budget Committee report by deleting Items 2 and 3. Representative Nichols withdrew his second.

Representative Schwartz moved to amend the Budget Committee report by recommending the restoration of the funding for the Certified Development Companies to \$475,000 as originally funded in the FY 2000 budget and that the funds come from the EDIF. Motion was seconded by Representative Campbell. Motion carried.

Staff distributed copies of the updated report on the Economic Development Initiatives Fund (Attachment 1).

Representative Schwartz distributed copies of a presentation paper supporting the restored funding for Kansas Certified Development Companies (Attachment 2).

Copies of a letter from Randy L. Speaker, Director of Housing, Kansas Department of Commerce & Housing were distributed (Attachment 3).

Representative Pottorff moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee report on the Governor’s budget recommendations for the Department of Commerce and Housing FY 2002 as amended and with the noted

adjustments. Motion was seconded by Representative Stone. Motion carried.

Representative Stone presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for Kansas, Inc., for FY 2001 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2001. Motion was seconded by Representative Shriver. Motion carried.

Representative Stone presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for Kansas, Inc., for FY 2002 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2002 with recommendations. Motion was seconded by Representative Shriver. Motion carried.

Representative Shriver presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation for FY 2001 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2001. Motion was seconded by Representative Stone. Motion carried.

Representative Shriver presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation for FY 2002 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2002 with the noted recommendations. Motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Pottorff presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for the Governmental Ethics Commission for FY 2001 and moved for the adoption of the Budget recommendations for FY 2001 (Attachment 4). Motion was seconded by Representative Stone. Motion carried.

Representative Pottorff presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for the Governmental Ethics Commission for FY 2002 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2002 with a notation (Attachment 4). Motion was seconded by Representative Stone. Motion carried.

Representative Pottorff presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for the Governmental Ethics Commission for FY 2003 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2003 (Attachment 4). Motion was seconded by Representative Stone. Motion carried.

Representative Stone presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for the Department of Human Resources for FY 2001 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2001 with the noted observations (Attachment 5). Motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Stone presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for the Department of Human Resources for FY 2002 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2002 with the noted adjustment (Attachment 5). Motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

The Committee noted that expenditures from the Workers Compensation Fee Fund covers the 2 FTE's for the Department of Health and Environment although the funding stays in the Department of Human Resources.

Representative Shriver presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs for FY 2001 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2001 with notations (Attachment 5). Motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Shriver presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs for FY 2002 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2002 with recommendations (Attachment 5). Motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

The Budget Committee explained that the numbers may seem high as this is due to the renovation at Winfield. A census count of the Veteran's Homes in Winfield and Dodge City was requested from the Budget Division.  
Representative Stone presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for KPERS for FY 2001 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2001 with

noted adjustments (Attachment 6). Motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Stone presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for KPERS for FY 2002 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2002 with noted adjustments (Attachment 6). Motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

The Committee discussed the need for an improved telephony system as many of the clients of KPERS are not comfortable using computers to access their data.

Representative Pottorff presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for the Department of Administration for FY 2001 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2001 (Attachment 7) Motion was seconded by Representative Stone. Motion carried

Representative Pottorff presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for the Department of Administration for FY 2002 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2002 with noted observations (Attachment 7) Motion was seconded by Representative Stone.

Representative Nichols moved to conceptually amend the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for the Department of Administration for FY 2002 to include language requesting that the Department of Administration develop a plan to extend the hours of the motor pool dispatch office using existing resources to enable state employees to obtain a state vehicle either before or after normal working hours. The report should be returned to the Committee before Omnibus. Motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Pottorff moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee report on the Governor's budget recommendations for the Department of Administration for FY 2002 as amended and with the noted observations. (Attachment 7). Motion seconded by Representative Shriver. Motion carried.

#### **Discussion and Committee action on SB 321—Abandoned oil and gas well fund, extending certain transfers**

Written testimony was received from: Ken Peterson, Kansas Petroleum Council (Attachment 8).  
Tom Day, Kansas Corporation Commission (Attachment 9).

Tom Day, Kansas Corporation Commission, explained to the Committee the extended effort the KCC uses in an attempt to track those companies or persons responsible for the abandoned oil and gas wells.

Chairman Wilk closed the hearing on **SB 321**.

Representative Stone moved to pass the bill and report it favorably. Motion was seconded by Representative Feuerborn. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2001.