

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TOURISM COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Carol E. Beggs at 3:35 p.m. on February 18, 2002 in Room 243-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Rep. Jeff Peterson

Committee staff present: Hank Avila, Research Department  
Russell Mills, Research Department  
Bob Nugent, Revisor of Statutes  
Carol Doel, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Keith Kocher, Asst. Attorney General, Kansas Lottery  
Jim Giordono, Internal Auditor, Kansas Lottery

Others attending: See attached list

Each member was supplied with a copy of the Senate balloon for **HB 2183** for review prior to the meeting of February 20<sup>th</sup>. (Attachment 1)

Keith Kocher, Assistant Attorney General, Kansas Lottery and Jim Giordono, Internal Auditor, Kansas Lottery were available for continued education and discussion of electronic gaming.

Mr. Kocher explained that electronic gaming equipment means any electronic, video or computerized device which to play on the insertion of cash, tokens or electronic cards and may entitle the player to cash, tokens, merchandise or credits that may be redeemed for cash. This does not include table games such as blackjack, craps and poker.

Bob Nugent from the revisor's office was available with an explanation of the difference between video lottery and electronic gaming machines. He stated that our video lottery machine definition is pretty old and it doesn't encompass the latest technology that is being used. Our definition calls expressly for the use of cash. It is a cash in, credit or cash out machine. The more modern machines can use a token or something representative of cash. A video lottery machine is centrally controlled by the lottery. The computer that controls it is centrally located while under the bill the electronic gaming machine is controlled by computer that is at the site. The difference is more technological rather than legal.

Members of the committee requested a matrix of each bill be submitted for review as well as also requesting a copy of the AG opinions on Indian Compacts.

**Approval of minutes**

Chairman Beggs asked for a motion for approval of the minutes of February 13<sup>th</sup>. Rep. Ethel Peterson made a motion to approve the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Rep. Levinson. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be February 20<sup>th</sup> in Room 243-N

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TOURISM COMMITTEE at on January , 2002 in Room 521-S of the Capitol.