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## MINUTES OF THE SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dwayne Umbarger at 10:35 A.M. on March 17, 2008, in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Donald Betts, Jr. - excused

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters, Senior Assistant, Revisor of Statutes  
Alan Conroy, Director, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Kristen Clarke Kellems, Assistant Revisor of Statutes  
Kimbra Caywood McCarthy, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Amy Deckard, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Audrey Dunkel, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Cody Gorges, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Reed Holwegner, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Aaron Klaassen, Kansas Legislative Research  
Heather O'Hara, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Leah Robinson, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
J. G. Scott, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Michael Steiner, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Jarod Waltner, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Melinda Gaul, Chief of Staff, Senate Ways & Means  
Mary Shaw, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairman Umbarger turned the Committee's attention to discussion of:

### **Senate Substitute for SB 485--Counties; alternative building construction procurement**

Jill Wolters, Assistant Revisor of Statutes provided an update on the bill (Attachment 1).

Senator V. Schmidt moved, with a second by Senator Kelly, to amend Senate Substitute for SB 485 and delete Subsection 2 (regarding reference to the Consumer Price Index) on Page 14 and give authorization to the Revisor for technical wording. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Schodorf moved, with a second by Senator Emler, to amend Senate Substitute for SB 485 with language provided by the Kansas Contractors Association on page two of the attached memorandum addressed to Chairman Umbarger that the new design build standards do not pertain to highways, roads, bridges, cams, turnpikes, or related structures or stand alone parking lots (Attachment 2). Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator McGinn moved, with a second by Senator Steineger, to recommend Senate Substitute for SB 485 favorable for passage.

Senator Taddiken moved, with a second by Senator Steineger, a substitute motion to amend Senate Substitute for SB 485 to adopt the balloon amendment to SB 642 (Attachment 3) and add school districts to Senate Substitute for SB 485. Motion failed on a voice vote.

A vote was taken on the original motion to move Senate Substitute for SB 485 out of committee and it carried on a roll call vote.

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Senator Schodorf suggested an interim study regarding adding public school districts to the bill just passed out of committee (Senate Substitute for SB 485). *The Committee concurred.*

**SB 670--Establishing the joint committee on the 2010 comprehensive transportation plan**

Bruce Kinzie, Senior Assistant Revisor provided an update on the bill.

Senator Taddiken moved, with a second by Senator Teichman, to amend SB 670 to change the committee termination date to July 1, 2011. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Teichman moved, with a second by Senator Schodorf, to amend SB 670 that the committee cannot meet until November 15, 2008. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Teichman moved, with a second by Senator Emler, to amend SB 670 to add language on page 2, line 17, and where appropriate in the bill, add the word "trucking". Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Morris moved, with a second by Senator Emler, to amend SB 670 to give the Committee the authority to introduce legislation. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Morris moved, with a second by Senator Emler, to amend SB 670 technical wording of 2008 and 2009 regarding individual committee appointments before and after the November 8, 2008, election. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Morris moved, with a second by Senator Wysong, to recommend SB 670 favorable for passage as amended. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

**SB 626--An act establishing the veterans enhanced service delivery program**

Jill Wolters, Senior Assistant Revisor provided an update on the bill and explained a balloon amendment which was distributed concerning SB 626 (Attachment 4).

Senator Steineger moved, with a second by Senator Taddiken, to amend SB 626 and eliminate Sections 3 and 4, keep Section 5, and add wording to report to the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Ways and Means. Motion failed on a voice vote.

Senator Taddiken moved, with a second by Senator Emler, to adopt the balloon amendment on SB 626. Motion carried on a voice vote.

**SB 533--Veterans assistance; appropriations therefor; income tax credit; property tax abatement; leave for employees; tuition rates**

Jill Wolters, Senior Assistant Revisor, explained the bill. She noted that Senator Umbarger and Senator McGinn worked on SB 533.

Senator Emler moved, with a second by Senator Kelly, to amend the provisions discussed by the Revisor and requested by Senator Umbarger and Senator McGinn in SB 533 into SB 626, including the local property tax information, Section 12. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Chairman Umbarger opened the public hearing on:

**SB 679--Division of vehicles modernization surcharge**

Bruce Kinzie, Senior Assistant Revisor of Statutes, gave a briefing on the bill (Attachment 5).

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The Chairman welcomed Joan Wagon, Secretary, Kansas Department of Revenue, who testified as a proponent on **SB 679** (Attachment 6). Secretary Wagon explained that the modernization project includes integration of three separate systems into one vehicle system and the question is how to pay for the replacement of these systems. The bill would implement the Division of Vehicles modernization surcharge.

Written testimony was submitted by:

Carmen Alldritt, Director of Vehicles, Kansas Department of Revenue (Attachment 7)

Ed Klumpp, Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police (Attachment 8)

Nancy Weeks, Haskell County Treasurer (Attachment 9)

Mark Schemm, Smith County Treasurer (Attachment 10)

Captain Mark Bruce, Kansas Highway Patrol (Attachment 11)

The Chairman closed the public hearing on **SB 679**.

Senator Teichman moved, with a second by Senator Wysong, to recommend **SB 679** favorable for passage. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m. The next meeting was scheduled for March 18, 2008.