

Approved: February 28, 2006
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dwayne Umbarger at 10:40 A.M. on January 18, 2006, in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Vicki Schmidt- excused

Senator David Wysong- excused

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes Office

Michael Corrigan, Revisor of Statutes

Alan Conroy, Director, Kansas Legislative Research Department

J. G. Scott, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Reagan Cussimano, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Audrey Dunkel, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Susan Kannarr, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Judy Bromich, Chief of Staff

Mary Shaw, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: none

Others attending:

See attached list.

Bill Introductions

Senator Kelly moved, with a second by Senator Schodorf, to introduce a bill regarding workforce development; implementing the developing responsible youth act (5rs1523). Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Umbarger moved, with a second by Senator Barone, to introduce a bill relating to Medicaid; payroll agents for certain clients; care services by family members; concerning a waiver for home and community based services programs (5rs1554). Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator McGinn moved, with a second by Senator Emler, to introduce a bill concerning the developmental disabilities reform act; relating to the provision of certain services (5rs1648). Motion carried on a voice vote.

Chairman Umbarger recognized staff to give a briefing on the following bill:

SB 271–Kansas developmental disabilities reform act, provision of certain services

Staff indicated that hearings were held on **SB 271** during the 2005 Legislative Session.

The Chairman recognized Sherry Diel, Kansas Real Estate Commission, who explained that earlier they believed that their fee fund was so far down that they felt they needed a fee increase, but the number of licensed people has stayed up. She felt at this time it was not needed. There were amendments proposed including adding the words “primary office” on page 2 of the bill and adding the five new fees on Page 4 of the bill. Copies of the proposed balloon were distributed (Attachment 1).

Senator Barone moved, with a second by Senator Teichman, to adopt the proposed balloon regarding page 4 of the bill, including a correction on Page 4 of the bill, beginning line 5, where the years noted should be 2006. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Emler moved, with a second by Senator Barone, to recommend **SB 271** favorable for passage as amended. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE Senate Ways and Means Committee at 10:40 A.M. on January 18, 2006, in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

The Chairman called the Committee's attention to discussion of the following bill that had a hearing on January 13, 2006:

HB 2398--Procedures for convening a negotiating committee for architectural, land surveying and engineering services for state capital improvement projects

Senator Barone moved, with a second by Senator Emler, to recommend **HB 2398** favorable for passage. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

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

SB 327--Creating the office of inspector general within the Kansas health policy authority

The Committee discussed the balloon amendment that was drafted by the Attorney General's Office (Attachment 2). Senator Barone moved, with a second by Senator Emler, to amend the balloon amendment that the inspector general could be removed from office for just cause and not just for cause. Motion carried on a voice vote.

A second balloon was discussed (Attachment 3). Senator Barone moved, with a second by Senator Kelly, to include Medicaid, MediKan, Healthwave and the state employee health insurance program. Motion carried on a voice vote. A third balloon from Tom Bruno was discussed (Attachment 4).

Senator Emler moved, with a second by Senator Teichman, to adopt all balloons, allow staff to make technical cleanup of the bill, and recommend **SB 327** favorable for passage as amended. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. The next meeting was scheduled for January 19, 2006.