

MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas C. (Tim) Owens at 9:37 a.m. on March 4, 2009, in Room 545-N of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Jason Thompson, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Doug Taylor, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Karen Clowers, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Mark Gleeson, Office of Judicial Administration

Others attending:

See attached list.

The Chairman opened the hearing on **SB 283 - Criminal procedure; community corrections, high risk or needs offenders determined by the risk assessment tool, LSI-R; delay use until January 1, 2011.**

Mark Gleeson appeared in support of the bill to delay the implementation of the risk assessment tool by one year. Mr. Gleeson indicated due to limited funds for training the delay is required. (Attachment 1)

There being no further conferees, the hearing on **SB 283** was closed.

The Chairman called for final action on **SB 208 - Abolishing the death penalty.**

Senator Kelly moved, Senator Vratil seconded, to amend SB 208 on page 48, Section 22, by changing the effective date upon publication in the Kansas Register and change other dates accordingly. Motion failed.

Senator Schmidt moved, Senator Donovan seconded, to amend SB 208 on page 12, line 8, by changing the date to "1 July, 2009." Motion carried.

Senator Vratil moved, Senator Schodorf seconded, to amend SB 208 on page 1, line 18, by striking the word "Ten". Motion carried.

Senator Vratil moved, Senator Haley seconded, to recommend SB 208 as amended favorably for passage.

Senator Schmidt made a substitute motion to refer SB 208 for an interim study, Senator Lynn seconded. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.