

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson David Adkins at 9:05 a.m. on January 7, 2000 in Room 514-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Rep. Richard Reinhardt - excused

Committee staff present:

Kansas Legislative Research Department: Alan Conroy, Stuart Little, Robert Waller, Carolyn Rampey, Kathie Sparks, Audrey Nogle
Revisor of Statutes Office: Jim Wilson, Mike Corrigan
David Stallings, Administrative Assistant
Mary Shaw, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: None

Others attending: See attached List

Chairman Adkins opened the meeting by mentioning to the Committee that the agenda would be to introduce one bill. Due the complexities of that procedure, the Chairman asked Staff to distribute copies of a bill draft prepared to implement the Governor's revised supplemental recommendations. He also noted that this would be the supplemental bill to include all the revisions of the budget contained in the Governor's proposal.

At this time, the meeting was recessed at 9:10 a.m. members met with their respective caucus to discuss the bill draft. The meeting reconvened at 9:35 a.m.

A motion was made by Representative Neufeld, and seconded by Representative Farmer, to introduce the Governor's bill subject to amendments. Questions and discussion followed.

A substitute motion was made by Representative Landwehr, and seconded by Representative Dean, to remove the \$1.5 million dollars out of the Secretary of State's budget for the presidential primary as well as adding a proviso to suspend the requirement of holding a presidential primary for this year. Questions and discussion followed. In response to a question by Representative McKechnie regarding not having an election by proviso, the Revisor mentioned in explanation that the law imposes statutory duties on the election officers, the county and local election officers. The issue of not appropriating money for the election itself is very clear that the Legislature has that authority. In response to a question if the motion would be divisible, the Chair ruled that the substitute motion is not divisible and it is in order. Questions and discussion followed. The substitute motion carried.

A motion to amend was made by Representative Farmer, and seconded by Representative Landwehr, on pages 19 and 20 delete subsection J which pertains to Supplemental General State Aid and subsection K which pertains to General State Aid. Representative Farmer explained that the effect of the action would be to make no change to current law which sets base state aid per pupil at \$3,770 not \$3,757 dollars and in effect keeps it at \$50 base state aid per pupil for the current year so there is not the \$13 reduction. Motion carried.

Representative Dean requested more information regarding the Department on Aging regarding community grants.

A motion was made by Representative Spangler, and seconded by Representative Dean, to reinsert the \$112, 399 community grants in the Department on Aging budget, with the understanding in the information coming from staff, and an additional \$4.2 in the unclaimed lottery funds and transfer into the State General Funds. A vote was taken and division was requested. Motion failed.

In response to a question by Representative Feuerborn, Larry Finger with the Kansas Bureau of

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Investigation briefed the committee regarding questions posed to them yesterday. Mr. Finger distributed copies of a memorandum to the Committee regarding the KBI FY 2000 Budget Revisions (Attachment 1). Questions and discussion followed.

A motion was made by Representative Spangler, and seconded by Representative Dean, to remove the \$4.2 million from the line item prizes and commissions from the Kansas Lottery budget. A vote was taken and division was requested. Motion failed.

A motion was made by Representative Dean, and seconded by Representative Feuerborn, that on Page 11 of the Draft Bill the \$490 plus reduced expenditures for K-TECH be stricken from the bill. A vote was taken and division was requested. Motion failed.

A motion was made by Representative Feuerborn, and seconded by Representative McKechnie, on Page 30 of the Draft Bill to make the cut of \$124,195 State General Fund and all funding would be \$177,210 which is a 1 percent cut for the KBI budget. Representative Feuerborn withdrew his motion.

A motion was made by Representative Shriver, and seconded by Representative Dean, that on Page 29 of the Draft Bill return the \$60,578 from the Adjutant General's budget to be used for the Tiaht federal match money and return it to the disaster relief funds. A vote was taken and division was requested. Motion failed.

Questions and discussion followed on the bill.

A motion was made by Representative Shriver, and seconded by Representative McKechnie, to delete on Page 21, Sections B and C and renumber therefore allowing the EDIF funds, Kansas State Historic Society, to be spent on those projects that had prior approval. A vote was taken and division was requested. Motion failed.

Duane Goossen, Director of the Budget, was present and explained further the material that was distributed in the January 6, 2000 meeting. Committee questions and discussion followed for Director Goossen.

A motion was made by Representative Feuerborn, and seconded by Representative Nichols, to treat the KBI like other agencies and cut them 1 percent of the State General Fund which would be \$124,195 and all funding would be \$177,210. Representative Feuerborn mentioned that amount was, he felt, the amount that the agency has indicated and not go beyond and, in turn, suffer the agency's reputation and ability to do their work. Representative McKechnie explained a handout that he distributed regarding the types of clandestine labs seized in Kansas. (Attachment 2) Representatives Ballard, McKechnie, Nichols, and Reardon expressed their support for the Feuerborn motion. Representative Feuerborn closed. A vote was taken and division was requested. Motion failed.

A motion was made by Representative Nichols, and seconded by Representative McKechnie, to take savings from the \$1.5 million dollars by cancelling the presidential primary and add in \$750,000 for the Homeless Mental Health Program and \$1 million dollars for Prevention for Children's Mental Health. A vote was taken and division was requested. Motion failed.

A motion was renewed by Representative Neufeld, and seconded by Representative Pottorff, to introduce the bill as amended with technical corrections. The Chairman explained that the motion on the floor would be the bill in its current form with the Landwehr amendment adopted to remove the \$1.5 million dollars to fund the presidential preference primary with the proviso indicating that, notwithstanding the current statutory authorization, the primary would not be required to be held in the year 2000 and the Farmer amendment to preserve the \$50 increase in the base per pupil plus additional supplemental aid to make up for the difference that that increase would cause with Local Option Budget commitments and technical corrections incorporated into the bill. A vote was taken and division was requested. Motion carried. Representatives Ballard, Dean, Feuerborn, McKechnie, Nichols, Reardon, Spangler requested to be recorded as voting "No" on the motion.

HB 2366 - Presidential preference primary; repealed

Representative Spangler made a motion, and seconded by Representative Landwehr, to report HB 2366

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favorable with the technical amendment as the Revisor has indicated. Motion carried.

The Chairman introduced the staff present from his office, Kansas Legislative Research Department and the Office of the Revisor.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2000.