

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stephen Morris at 10:30 a.m. on February 26, 2002 in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: All present

Committee staff present:

Leah Robinson, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Amy Kramer, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Robert Waller, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Michael Corrigan, Assistant to the Revisor
Judy Bromich, Assistant to the Chairman
Mary Shaw, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Joe Fritton, Director, Division of Facilities Management, Department of Administration

Others attending: See attached list

Chairman Morris referred the following bill from the KPERS Issues Subcommittee to the full Committee:

HB 2622--Contribution rates for local police and fire pension plan

A letter was distributed to the Committee from Connie Hubbell, Secretary, Department on Aging, in response to a question raised during the Committee meeting on February 15, 2002 (Attachment 1).

Presentation on the Capitol Complex Tunnel Project (Attachment 2)

Chairman Morris welcomed Joe Fritton, Director of the Division of Facilities Management for the Department of Administration, who provided a presentation regarding the Capitol Complex Tunnel Project. Mr. Barry Greis, Statehouse Architect, was present with Mr. Fritton for questions. Mr. Fritton mentioned that the Department of Administration supports the tunnels in the Capitol complex and gave a history of the tunnel project. Senator Huelskamp inquired about obtaining a copy of a letter that allowed use of funds in a joint project. Chairman Morris thanked Mr. Fritton for his presentation before the Committee.

Subcommittee reports on:

Board of Emergency Medical Services (Attachment 3)

Subcommittee Chairman Jackson reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2002.

Subcommittee Chairman Jackson reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2003 with adjustments as listed in the subcommittee budget report.

Senator Jackson moved, with a second by Senator Schodorf, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on the Board of Emergency Medical Services for the FY 2002 and FY 2003 budget. Motion carried on a voice vote.

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Sentencing Commission (Attachment 4)

Subcommittee Chairman Jackson reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2002.

Senator Chairman Jackson reported the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2003 with adjustments as listed in the subcommittee budget report.

Chairman Morris recognized Senator Adkins who shared concern that the Agency is in violation of federal guidelines regarding its administration of federal grant dollars. Senator Adkins moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, to amend the subcommittee report and add to Item Number 1 (FY 2003) to direct the Agency to establish policies and procedures to bring the Agency in compliance with federal guidelines relating to sub-recipient site visits and program audits and provide this information by Omnibus. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Jackson moved, with a second by Senator Salmans, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on the Sentencing Commission for the FY 2002 and FY 2003 budget as amended. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Kansas Bureau of Investigation (Attachment 5)

Subcommittee Chairman Jordan reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2002.

Subcommittee Chairman Jordan reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2003 with observations as listed in the subcommittee budget report.

Senator Jordan moved, with a second by Senator Barone, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on Kansas Bureau of Investigation for the FY 2002 and FY 2003 budget. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Parole Board (Attachment 6)

Subcommittee Chairman Huelskamp reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2002.

Subcommittee Chairman Huelskamp reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2003.

Senator Huelskamp moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on the Parole Board for the FY 2002 and FY 2003 budget. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Ombudsman for Corrections (Attachment 7)

Subcommittee Chairman Huelskamp reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2002 with an exception as listed in the subcommittee budget report.

Subcommittee Chairman Huelskamp reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2003 with an exception as listed in the subcommittee budget report.

Senator Huelskamp moved, with a second by Senator Jordan, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on the Ombudsman for Corrections for the FY 2002 and FY 2003 budget. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Juvenile Justice Authority (Attachment 8)

- Atchison Juvenile Correctional Facility**
- Beloit Juvenile Correctional Facility**
- Larned Correctional Facility**
- Topeka Juvenile Correctional Facility**

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Senator Jordan reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2002 and FY 2003.

Senator Kerr requested information from Albert Murray, Commissioner, Juvenile Justice Authority, regarding the opening of the new facilities at Larned and Topeka. Commissioner Murray explained that plans are to have the Larned facility open by December 2002 and the Topeka facility is scheduled to be open in 2004.

Chairman Morris requested that Commissioner Murray get information regarding staff needs at the facilities to plug that information into the master plan as soon as possible to him and the Committee before they finish work this year.

Senator Jordan moved, with a second by Senator Feleciano, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on the Juvenile Justice Authority and the Facilities for the FY 2002 and FY 2003 budget. Motion carried on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2002.