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MINUTES OF THE SENATE ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Huelskamp at 1:30 P.M. on February 19, 2007 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Mike Heim, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes
Zoie Kern, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Brad Bryant
Donna Voth

Others attending:

See attached list.

Hearing on **SB 249 Concerning cities and counties; relating to natural resource development districts.**

Hearing closed. No conferees.

Ken Wilke of Revisor of Statutes office gave brief summary of **SB 168 Concerning governmental ethics; relating to lobbyists.**

Senator Hensley gave testimony on behalf of his bill **SB 168.**

Senator Hensley stated a cooling period of two years would be set. The revolving door concept to be from a five to two years period. There is a high percentage of public officials becoming lobbyists after they leave office and in some cases their spouse. **SB 168** will govern the process to avoid as much conflict as possible. Hearing closed.

Brad Bryant gave testimony for Secretary of State, Ron Thornburgh on **SB 343, Concerning campaign finance reporting.** (Attachment 1).

Donna Voth gave testimony in favor of **SB 343** (Attachment 2).

Discussion.

Hearing closed.

Senator Pyle gave testimony on **SB 152, Concerning elections; vacancy in US Senators position.** (Attachment 3).

Discussion.

Hearing closed.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Zoie C. Kern, Committee Secretary