

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 17, 2007, in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters, Senior Assistant, Revisor of Statutes
Alan Conroy, Director, Kansas Legislative Research Department
J. G. Scott, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Michael Steiner, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Melinda Gaul, Chief of Staff, Senate Ways & Means
Mary Shaw, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Barry Greis, Statehouse Architect

Others attending:

See attached list.

Bill Introductions

Senator Teichman moved, with a second by Senator Emler, to introduce a bill concerning criminal classification and penalty for sales of tangible personal property or services without a tax registration certificate. Motion carried on a voice vote (7rs0539).

Chairman Umbarger welcomed Barry Greis, Statehouse Architect, who provided an update on the renovation of the Statehouse (Attachment 1). Copies were provided of the executive summary titled, "Preservation and Restoration, Kansas Statehouse" and are available with the Kansas Department of Administration or Kansas Legislative Research Department. Mr. Mike Treanor, Architect, Capitol Restoration Commission, also made a presentation to the Committee.

The last Statehouse renovation was in 1917. The design objective is transformation of an historic statehouse into a modern office building. Updates were presented on the building design and architecture, construction, floor plans, sequence of construction, time line, budget and funding phases. Information was detailed on: parking, "front door" and improving site utilities infrastructure. The building issues discussed were adding usable floor area, preservation and restoring historic features, modernization of utilities and phase construction while the building is occupied.

Mr. Greis explained the stone coating investigating that was continuing on the Statehouse. Regarding the time line, the projected final completion of the project is October 31, 2011.

The Committee requested additional information regarding talking points about the renovation of the Statehouse. Committee questions and discussion followed.

Chairman Umbarger rescheduled the presentation by Marilyn Jacobson, Acting Director, Facilities Management, Kansas Department of Administration, for January 18, 2007, regarding the state building assessments.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2007.