MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Goico at 9:00 a.m., on March 16, 2011, in Room 546-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Scott Schwab

Committee staff present:

Doug Taylor, Office of Revisor of Statutes Katherine McBride, Office of Revisor of Statutes Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department Jay Hall, Kansas Legislative Research Department Diane Brian, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee: NONE

Representative Goico called for approval of the March 14, 2011 Elections committee minutes. They were approved without objection.

Representative Goico opened Committee discussion and action on **SB 129, Elections; vacancies; state** senators.

Representative Rubin moved to pass SB 129 favorable for passage. Motion seconded by Representative Gonzalez. Representative Rubin made a substitute motion to amend SB 129 to include all of HB 2067, the version that passed out of committee and the House. Representative Otto seconded the motion. Discussion followed and motion carried.

Representative Rubin moved to replace amended SB 129 with House Substitute for SB 129 and to amend as reflected in the balloon amendments. (Attachment 1). Representative Rubin distributed copies of the amendments and provided an overview. Motion was seconded by Representative Gregory. Discussion followed and motion carried.

Representative Rubin moved to pass **House Substitute for SB 129** as amended favorable for passage. Representative Gonzalez seconded the motion. Discussion followed and motion carried. Representative McCray-Miller requested her nay vote be recorded.

Representative Goico opened the Committee discussion and action on <u>SB 125, Elections; candidate filing deadline change.</u>

Representative Mah proposed to amend the the contents of **HB 2080**, as it went to the House floor, into **SB 125**. Representative Rubin seconded the motion. Discussion followed and amendment passed.

Representative Mah proposed that we pass out SB 125 as amended favorable for passage. Representative Gonzalez seconded the motion. Discussion followed and motion carried.

Representative Goico opened the Committee discussion and action on <u>Substitute for SB 127</u>, <u>Elections</u>; <u>certain local units of governments</u>; <u>primaries</u>.

Representative Mah moved to add contents of SB 17 into Substitute SB 127. Representative Rubin seconded the motion. Discussion followed and motion carried.

Representative O'Brien moved to add contents of **HB 2308** into **Substitute SB 127** as amended. Representative Rubin seconded the motion. Discussion followed and motion carried.

Representative Rubin made a motion to amend the language in **HB 2308** as follows. Page 1, Section 1, Line 8, strike the word "both" and place a period after Secretary of State and delete the rest of the sentence on Line 9 and 10. Representative Garber seconded the motion. The revisor requested a technical correction on Page 1, Section 1, Line 8 by striking "in both" and inserting "with". Discussion followed and Representative Rubin closed his amendment. Motion carried.

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Minutes of the House Elections Committee at 9:00 a.m. on March 16, 2011, in Room 546-West of the Capitol.

Representative O'Brien made a motion to pass **Substitute SB 127** as amended favorable for passage. Representative Rubin seconded the motion. Discussion followed and motion carried. Representative McCray-Miller requested her nay vote be recorded.

Representative Garber introduced family members, his wife Kay, daughter Amy White, son-in-law Tom White and Grandchildren Caleb and Luke White, to the Committee.

Representative Mah introduced her pages, Aislin Jackson, Tyler Price, Rodney Rutter and Mollie Miller, to the Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.