MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM.

A joint meeting of the Senate Commerce Committee and the House Tourism Committee was called to order by Chairperson Karin Brownlee at 8:41 a.m. on February 7, 2000 in Memorial Hall Auditorium.

All members were present except: Members were excused due to conflicting committee meeting schedules

Committee staff present: Renae Jefferies - Revisor

Carol Doel - Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Bill Kurtis

Others attending: See attached list

PROGRAM: Senator Brownlee introduced Mr. Bill Kurtis as a native Kansan graduating from the University of Kansas with a degree in Journalism in 1962 and from the Washburn University with a law degree in 1966. Mr. Kurtis would like to see the State of Kansas grow. (<u>Attachment1</u>)

Mr. Kurtis gave a presentation on building tourism in the state of Kansas and showed a 15 minute film on the Tallgrass Prairies.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m. The next meeting of the House Tourism Committee is on February 12, 2001.