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## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kathe Decker at 9:00 a.m. on February 17 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

## Committee staff present:

Kathie Sparks Legislative Research Department Art Griggs, Office of the Revisor of Statues Ann Deitcher, Secretary

## Conferees appearing before the committee:

Mark Tallman, KASB & KNEA Diane Gjerstad, Wichita School District Dr. Stuart Little Tim Rooney

Hearings were continued on:

HB 2481 - relating to school districts; concerning local option budgets.

HB 2630 - relating to education; concerning local option budgets.

HB 2837 - concerning school districts with less than 100 pupils.

Offering testimony in opposition to HB 2481, 2630 and 2837 was Mark Tallman. (Attachments 1 and 2).

Diane Gjerstad spoke as an opponent to HB 2481, 2630 and 2837. (Attachment 3).

The hearing on HB 2481, 2630 and 2837 was closed.

## HB 2807 - concerning school finance formula.

Dr. Little spoke briefly in explanation of **HB 2807**.

Written only testimony in support of <u>HB 2807</u> was offered from Tom Trigg, Deputy Superintendent Blue Valley Schools. (<u>Attachment 4</u>).

Tim Rooney offered testimony in support of <u>HB 2807</u> with a power point presentation that explained the KEY Plan Works. (<u>Attachments 5 and 6</u>).

The meeting adjourned at 10:45. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 18, 2004.