

MINUTES OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON KANSAS SECURITY

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lee Tfanelli at 1:00 p.m. on January 31, 2003 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Carl Krehbiel
Representative Tom Holland

Committee staff present: Bruce Kinzie, Office of the Revisor
Robert Waller, Legislative Research Department
Carol Doel - Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Major General Greg Gardner, Homeland Security Director

Others attending: See attached list

Chairman Tfanelli asked for any bill introductions. Representative Shriver moved for the introduction of a bill that would establish a Joint Committee on Kansas Security. This would consist of five members of the House of Representatives and five members of the Senate. (Attachment 1)

This was seconded by Representative Loganbill. Motion carried. Bill will be introduced.

The next item for business was the introduction and welcome of Major General Greg Gardner who was recently reappointed as the 1st Kansas Adjutant General and currently is the Homeland Security Director for the state of Kansas. General Gardner presented an overview of development of emergency management. In his presentation he pointed out that we have the smallest emergency management agency per capita in the country. This presentation to the committee covered many areas of terrorism to include bio-terrorism and agro-terrorism as well as the natural hazards such as flooding, wind, tornadoes, ice, etcetera which are faced by the people of Kansas. (Attachment 2)

General Gardner stood for questions from the committee.

With no further conferees and no further business before the committee Chairman Tfanelli adjourned the meeting with the next meeting to be on February 7th.