Approved: January 31, 2006

Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Huelskamp at 1:30 P.M. on January 24, 2006 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department Mike Heim, Kansas Legislative Research Department Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes Zoie Kern, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Arlyn Briggs, UMB Systems Manager Maurice Holman, private citizen Brad Bryant, Assistant Secretary of State Eric Rucker, Secretary of States Office

Others attending: See attached list.

Hearing on SB409 - Record keeping on reported election crimes.

Senator O'Connor addressed this bill and the lack of recording election crimes so action can be taken. She then discussed her findings and testimonies from constituents who investigated possible fraud in registration (Attachment 1).

Proponents:

Aryln Briggs of UMB in Kansas City, testified on his behalf as a prior election candidate (Attachment 2).

Brad Bryant, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, addressed issues of investigation and prosecution when election crimes are reported (<u>Attachment 3</u>).

Maurice Holman, private citizen, testified to his own experience with Write In and Absentee Ballot crimes (<u>Attachment 4</u>).

Discussion of **SB409** ensued. There were no opponents.

Senator O'Connor introduced resolution regarding eminent domain and was seconded by Senator Pyle. Motioned carried and the resolution will be introduced..

Meeting adjourned by chairman at 2:45 pm.