Approved: March 28, 2007

Date

## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ELECTIONS AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Burgess at 3:30 P.M. on January 30, 2007 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Mike Peterson- excused

Committee staff present:

Martha Dorsey, Legislative Research Department Matt Spurgin, Legislative Research Department Mike Heim, Revisor of Statutes Office Maureen Stinson, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Doug Anstaett Harriet Lange Paul Morrison Kim Winn Eric Sartorius Donna Whiteman

Others attending: See attached list.

**Bill Requests** 

Chairman Burgess requested a committee bill concerning elections.

Rep. Horst requested a bill concerning county appraiser terminations.

Rep. Otto requested a committee bill concerning eminent domain.

The Committee approved the requests.

HB 2084 Open meetings; serial meetings of less than a quorum

Chairman Burgess opened the hearing on HB 2084.

Doug Anstaett, Kansas Press Association, testified in support of the bill (Attachment 1).

Harriet Lange, Kansas Association of Broadcasters, testified in support of the bill (Attachment 2).

Paul Morrison, Kansas Attorney General, testified in support of the bill (Attachment 3).

Kim Winn, League of Kansas Municipalities, testified in opposition to the bill (Attachment 4).

Eric Sartorius, City of Overland Park, testified in opposition to the bill (Attachment 5).

Donna Whiteman, Kansas Association of School Boards, testified in opposition to the bill (Attachment 6).

Written testimony in opposition to the bill was submitted by Diane Gjerstad, Wichita Public School (<u>Attachment 7</u>).

Chairman Burgess closed the hearing on HB 2084.

<u>Chairman Burgess appointed a sub-committee on HB 2079.</u> Rep. Otto will serve as chair of the subcommittee. Rep. Horst and Rep. Lane are asked to serve on the sub-committee.

The meeting was adjourned.

## CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE House Elections and Governmental Organization Committee at 3:30 P.M. on January 30, 2007 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 31, 2007.