

MINUTES OF THE SENATE ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Barbara Allen at 10:45 A.M. on February 1, 2007 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Chris Courtwright, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Gordon Self, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Jason Thompson, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Judy Swanson, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

Senator Schmidt moved to introduce a bill that would create local option for the district attorney system. Senator Jordan seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Senator Schmidt moved to introduce a bill to put all district court costs into the State budget. Senator Jordan seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Senator Schmidt moved to introduce a bill granting sales tax exemption to the historic Booth Theater. Senator Jordan seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Senator Apple moved to introduce a bill that would create an excise tax on sexually-oriented businesses. Senator Goodwin seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Senator Donovan moved to introduce a bill that would reduce the assessment rate from 20% to 12% over a period of time on motor vehicles and reinstate the 20 mill levy on automobiles. Senator Schmidt seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

SB 213—creating the Kansas investment credit act and the Kansas jobs credit act and providing changes to the franchise tax and the income tax on corporations.

Richard Cram, KDOR, provided information the Committee had requested from KDOR.

Corporate Income and Financial Institution Tax Liabilities by Bracket (Attachment 1)

Update to Analysis of Kansas corporate Income Tax (Attachment 2)

Distribution of employing units in Kansas (Attachment 3)

Kansas Corporation Income Tax Return Filings (Attachment 4)

A chart from Betty Nelson's, CBIZ, testimony from January 31 was received into record. (Attachment 5)

Joan Wagon, KDOR Secretary, agreed to furnish information from the Department of Commerce to the Committee concerning the Impact Fund, including a brief history.

Chairperson Allen appointed the following sub committee to study the proposed tax policy ideas which have been presented to the Committee, and to make recommendations back to the Committee as to which policies can be afforded in the State budget:

Senator Allen, Sub Committee chairperson; Senators Bruce, Donovan, Lee and Jordan

Being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 11:08 a.m. The next meeting will be February 8. The Sub-Committee will meet February 6 and 7 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 519S.