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Date

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE VETERANS, MILITARY AND HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don Myers at 1:30 p.m on January 15, 2009, in Room 785 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:

Representative Barbara Craft- excused Representative Pat George- excused Representative Mario Goico- excused Representative Don Hineman- excused

Committee staff present:

Barbara Lewerenz, Administrative Assistant Corey Carnahan, Kansas Legislative Research Department Chris Courtwright, Kansas Legislative Research Department Art Griggs, Office of the Revisor of Statutes Scott Wells, Office of the Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee: none

Others attending: None

Chairman Myers welcomed new and returning Committee members and staff. He noted that four out of the nine new Committee members are freshman representatives. Members and staff introduced themselves and gave a short history of their service to the House of Representatives and connections to the military.

There were no bill introductions.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2009. Scott Wells, Revisor's Office, will review 2008 enacted legislation. Dylan Dear, Legislative Research Department, will review the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs (KCVA) budget and distribution of funds. Wayne Bollig, Director of Veterans' Services KCVA, will attend and be on hand to answer questions.

Chairman Myers asked Committee members to review the *2008 Performance Audit Report* of the KCVA, completed by the Legislative Post Audit Committee, prior to the next meeting. Each member received a copy of the report. This report can be located at the State of Kansas, Legislative Division of Post Audit, 800 SW Jackson, Suite 1200, Topeka, Kansas.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.