

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stephen Morris at 10:40 a.m. on February 19, 2002 in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: All present

Committee staff present:

Alan Conroy, Chief Fiscal Analyst, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Deb Hollon, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Audrey Nogle, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Michael Corrigan, Assistant Revisor of Statutes
Judy Bromich, Assistant to the Chairman
Mary Shaw, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: None

Others attending: See attached list

Chairman Morris referred the following bill to the KPERS Issues Subcommittee:

SB 530--Employment after retirement

Senator Adkins moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, to approve the minutes of January 31, 2002 and February 1, 2002 committee meetings. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Subcommittee report on:

Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services (Attachment 1)

Subcommittee Chairman Morris reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2002.

Subcommittee Chairman Morris reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation for FY 2003 with comments and adjustments as listed in the subcommittee budget report.

Senator Feleciano presented the Minority Report to the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services subcommittee budget report.

Senator Feleciano moved, with a second by Senator Downey, to encourage the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services to work with the Inpatient Hospital Task Force created by the Mental Health Coalition and NAMI in development of a strategic plan for mental health services and that these plans be available and funded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Huelskamp requested information about the new contract for the Medicaid Management System and Joint Committee on Information Technology Review. Senator Barone requested information regarding contract negotiations for the Kansas Payment Center and costs.

Senator Schodorf moved, with a second by Senator Jordan, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services for the FY 2002 and FY 2003 budget as amended. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Chairman Morris called the Committee's attention to discussion of:

SB 499--Establishing the technology communication fee fund

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Information was distributed from Janet Chubb, Assistant Secretary of State, in response to a request by Senator Barone regarding the Secretary of State's fee funds with a copy of a balloon in regard to authorizing a cap of \$5.00 for the technology communication fee fund (Attachment 2). Additional information was distributed regarding the Secretary of State Fee Funds (Attachment 3).

Senator Kerr moved, with a second by Senator Jackson to adopt the balloon amendment offered by the Secretary of State's office regarding charging a technology communication fee, established by rules and regulations but not exceeding \$5.00 (see Attachment 2). Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Jackson moved, with a second by Senator Schodorf, to recommend **SB 499** favorably for passage as amended. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Chairman Morris called the Committee's attention to discussion of:

SB 509--State civil service; unclassified officers; SRS, physician's assistants and ARNPs

A letter was distributed from Janet Schalansky, Secretary, Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, in response to a request by Senator Feleciano regarding how SRS would implement **SB 509** and the effect it would have on current employees (Attachment 4).

Senator Barone moved, with a second by Senator Huelskamp, to adopt a balloon amendment (Attachment 5). Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Barone moved, with a second by Senator Schodorf, to recommend **SB 509** favorably for passage as amended. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 20, 2002.