

Approved: February 20, 2012  
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## MINUTES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Roger Reitz at 9:30 a.m. on February 13, 2012, in Room 159 S of the Capitol. The minutes of February 6 and 7, 2012 were read. Senator Kelsey moved to accept the minutes of February 6 and 7, 2012. The motion was seconded by Senator Huntington. The motion passed.

All members were present except:  
Senator Oletha Faust-Goudeau  
Senator Pete Brungardt

Committee staff present:  
Mike Heim, Office of the Revisor of Statutes  
Jill Shelley, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Laura Jurgensen, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Noell Memmott, Committee Assistant

Others attending:  
See attached list:

Senator Reitz asked for discussion on **SB 341—cities; dissolution because of environmental buyout.** There was no discussion. Senator Kelsey moved to pass SB 341 favorably out of committee. The motion was seconded by Senator Marshall. The motion passed.

**SB 329—Historic properties; projects within environs; city opt out of state historic preservation officer review** was opened for discussion. Luke Bell, Vice President of Governmental Affairs, Kansas Association of Realtors, reminded the committee the bill would create a local option so cities can decide whether to follow the statewide requirements. These requirements would not affect the properties listed on the historical registry, it would only affect the environs of such properties.

Discussion followed. Representative Jerry Williams, who represents Chanute, gave comments that the businesses in downtown Chanute are interested in developing a historical area and wish to require the owners of buildings in the area to comply with certain standards. The city of Chanute intends to have its own rules and regulations to govern these properties.

Mike Heim, presented amendments suggested by ED Bideau III, Bideau Law Offices, Chanute, Kansas, who testified on February 7, 2012. (**attachment 1**)

Senator Kelsey moved to amend the bill to reflect the amendments drafted by Mr. Heim. Senator Marshall seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Heim raised the point that **Section 1-(b)** is now unnecessary as the committee has eliminated the statutory environs requirements. Senator Kelsey moved to pass the amended bill favorably out of Committee.

## CONTINUATION SHEET

Minutes of the Senate Local Government Committee at 9:30 a.m. on February 13, 2012 in Room 159 S of the Capitol.

Senator Love moved to strike Section 1-(b). Senator Kultala seconded the motion. Senator Kelsey withdrew his motion. The motion to strike Section 1-(b) passed.

Senator Kelsey moved to pass **SB 329**, as amended, favorably out of Committee. The motion was seconded by Senator Marshall. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>.