

Approved: March 19, 2012
Date

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Roger Reitz at 9:30 a.m. on March 13, 2012, in Room 159 S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Senator Faust-Goudeau

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

Conferees:
Tim Madden, Secretary, Kansas Department of Corrections (written only)

Others in attendance:
See attached list

Discussion opened on bills previously heard.

HB 2646—Cities; abandoned property and qualifications thereof; pertaining to commercial real estate was reviewed by Mike Heim, revisor. The bill, as amended, would add commercial real estate property to the definition of abandoned property in a set of statutes dealing with unsafe or dangerous structures and abandoned property. This would be accomplished by expanding the definition of abandoned structures to include commercial real estate property for which the taxes are delinquent for the preceding two years and which has a blighting influence on surrounding properties.

Discussion followed. Senator Kelsey moved to adopt the balloon amendment that had been proposed by Representative Frownfelter at the March 12 meeting. The motion was seconded by Senator Kultala. The motion carried. Senator Kelsey moved to recommend **HB 2646** as amended favorably for passage. The motion was seconded by Senator Brungardt. The motion carried.

HB 2675—County clerks, county appraisers, real estate assessment rolls; statute repealed. Mike Heim, revisor explained the bill, as amended, would revise a statute concerning the duties of county clerks and county appraisers with regard to the listing and valuation of real estate.

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Discussion followed. Senator Brungardt moved to pass **HB 2675** out of committee. The motion was seconded by Senator Kultala. The motion passed.

HB 2669—An act repealing K.S.A. 19-901, 19-902, 19-903 and 19-904; concerning matron of a county jail was reviewed by Mike Heim, revisor. Tim Madden, Secretary, Department of Corrections, submitted written testimony (attachment 1) in support of the bill. Discussion followed.

Senator Kelsey moved to pass **HB 2669** out of committee. The motion was seconded by Senator Huntington. The motion carried.

HB 2672—Repealing KSA 19-825 was reviewed by Mike Heim, revisor. **HB 2672** would repeal a statute that concerns lynchings and subsequent vacating and reinstating of a sheriff for failing to perform certain duties. Discussion followed.

Senator Marshall moved to pass **HB 2672** out of committee. The motion was seconded by Senator Ostmeyer. The motion carried.

HB 2677—County appraisers; full-time, part-time distinction eliminated was reviewed by Mike Heim, revisor. **HB 2677** would amend KSA 19-430 to eliminate the distinction that counties with a population greater than 25,000 must appoint a full-time county appraiser, while counties with a population of 25,000 or less may appoint either a full-time or part-time appraiser. Discussion followed.

Senator Huntington moved to pass **HB 2677** out of committee.. The motion was seconded by Senator Marshall. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00.

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