

Approved: March 5, 2012  
Date

## MINUTES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Roger Reitz at 9:30 a.m. on February 20, 2012, in Room 159 S of the Capitol. The minutes of February 13 and 14 were read. Senator Marshall moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Senator Love. The motion carried.

All members were present except:  
Senator 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

Conferees:  
Representative James P. Fawcett  
Gerry Vernon, Junction City Manager  
Dr. Pat Landes, Junction City, Mayor (written only)  
Cheryl S. Beatty, Junction City Finance Director (written only)

The hearing opened on **HB 2420—Cities; bonded debt limits.**

Representative James P. Fawcett gave background and testified as a proponent to **HB 2420**. He explained that adoption of **HB 2420** would allow Junction City to meet its debt payments without the need for further bond restructuring, hold property taxes to current levels, and provide the city with some capacity to borrow for day-to-day operational and critical capital investment needs over the next seven years (attachment 1). Gerry Vernon, Junction City Manager, also testified as a proponent of the bill (attachment 2). Written testimony in favor of the bill was submitted by Dr. Pat Landes, Mayor of Junction City, (attachment 3) and Cheryl Beatty, Junction City Finance Director (attachment 4).

The hearing was closed.  
The meeting was adjourned at 10:15  
The next meeting will be February 21, 2012.

CONTINUATION SHEET

Minutes of the Senate Local Government Committee at 9:30 a.m. on February 22, 2011 in Room 159 S of the Capitol.