

MINUTES OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FINANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kathe Decker at 9:00 A.M. on February 23, 2005 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Kathie Sparks, Kansas Legislative Research

Art Griggs, Revisor of Statutes Office

Ann Deitcher, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Karl Peterjohn, Kansas Taxpayers Network

HB 2474 - School and school districts; the state board of ed and the state dept. of ed

Karl Peterjohn appeared before the Committee in support of **HB 2474**. (Attachment 1).

Written testimony only was offered by Representative Clay Aurand in support of **HB 2474**. (Attachment 2).

Offering written testimony only in opposition to **HB 2474** was Gary Brunk, Kansas Action for Children. (Attachment 3).

The hearing on **HB 2474** was closed.

It was moved by Representative O'Neal and seconded by Representative Gordon that **HB 2474** be worked by the Committee. The motion passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made by Representative Decker that an amendment regarding the Joint Building Committee (Attachment 4), be made to **HB 2474**. The motion was seconded by Representative O'Neal and passed on a voice vote.

Representatives Crow and Winn wished to be recorded as no votes.

It was moved by Representative Decker and seconded by Representative Hazlett that an amendment be made to **HB 2474** regarding Assessed Valuation in TIF Districts (Attachments 5 and 6). The motion carried on a voice vote.

Representative Decker made the motion that an amendment regarding Sources of Revenue (Attachment 7), be made to **HB 2474**. The motion was seconded by Representative Merrick and passed on a voice vote.

Theresa Kiernan pointed out corrections in **HB 2474**. (Attachment 8).

A motion was made by Representative O'Neal and seconded by Representative Hazlett to accept the amendments to **HB 2474**. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Representative O'Neal moved to accept the Local Option Budget (Attachment 9) amendment to **HB 2474**. The motion was seconded by Representative Decker and passed on a voice vote.

It was moved by Representative Decker and seconded by Representative Larkin to add to **HB 2474** the Skills for Success amendment (Attachments 10 and 11). The motion carried on a voice vote.

A letter was read by the Chair from the State Board of Education that requested the Legislature pursue Administrative Reorganization of public schools in Kansas and that the State Board of Ed. be allowed to help design and implement an administrative reorganization plan commiserate with their commitment to student learning. (Attachment 12).

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It was moved by Representative O'Neal and seconded by Representative Gordon that this (Attachment 13) be added as an amendment to **HB 2474**.

A substitute motion was made by Representative Larkin that would allow the State Board of Education to review and determine what might be best for the state of Kansas but then give it back to the Legislature to make the final determination. The substitute motion was seconded by Representative Winn but failed on a show of hands.

Representatives Crow, Larkin and Winn wished to be recorded as yes votes.

Representative O'Neal's motion to accept the amendment offered by the State Department of Education passed on a voice vote.

Representatives Crow, Larkin and Winn wished to be recorded as no votes.

A motion was made by Representative Decker and seconded by Representative O'Neal to move the amendment regarding Extraordinary Declining Enrollment (Attachment 14). The motion carried on a voice vote.

Representatives Crow, Larkin and Winn wished to be recorded as no votes.

It was moved by Representative Decker and seconded by Representative O'Neal that the amendment dealing with Federal Impact Aid (Attachments 15 and 16). The motion passed on a voice vote.

A report from the Division of Fiscal and Administrative Services was distributed to the Committee. (Attachment 17).

A motion was made by Representative Decker and seconded by Representative O'Neal that an additional \$80.00 be added to the base to amend **HB 2474**. The motion to amend passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made by Representative Decker and seconded by Representative O'Neal to amend **HB 2474** to include the Foreign Exchange Students (Attachment 18). The motion carried on a voice vote.

HB 2332 - relating to schools; concerning school finance adjustments relating to pupils attending school in a school district where the pupils do not reside.

The Chair called the Committee's attention to **HB 2332**.

It was moved by Representative Decker and seconded by Representative O'Neal that **HB 2332** be accepted as an amendment to **HB 2474**. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Representative Larkin wished to be recorded as a no vote.

It was moved by Representative Decker and seconded by Representative DeCastro that **HB 2474** be amended to change the weighting on bi-lingual. The motion to amend carried on a voice vote.

Representative DeCastro offered an amendment to **HB 2474**, (Attachment 19) using language from **HB 2333** regarding out of state students.

A motion was made by Representative DeCastro and seconded by Representative Gordon to pass this amendment to **HB 2474**.

A motion was made by Representative Decker and seconded by Representative DeCastro to pass **HB 2474** favorably as amended. The motion passed on a voice vote.

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Representatives Crow, Larkin and Winn wished to be recorded as no votes.

A House Select Committee on School Finance Minority Report was submitted. (Attachment 20).

The Committee was adjourned at 11:00 a.m. There is no Select Committee on School Finance meeting scheduled at this time.