

MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Vratil at 9:35 A.M. on February 27, 2008, in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Donald Betts- excused  
David Haley arrived, 9:48 A.M.  
Julia Lynn arrived, 9:37 A.M.

Committee staff present:

Bruce Kinzie, Office of Revisor of Statutes  
Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Karen Clowers, Committee Assistant

Others attending:

See attached list.

The Chairman announced his intention of no further action on **SB 493** but will request to have it blessed and will continue to work if warranted. He will also request **SB 409, SB 482, SB 483, SB 484,** and **SB 589** be blessed.

The Chairman called for final action on **SB 615–Motor vehicles, failure to maintain financial security.** Senator Vratil reviewed the bill and a proposed balloon amendment provided by Mark Goddard in his testimony on February 25.

Senator Goodwin moved, Senator Donovan seconded, to adopt the balloon amendment. Motion carried.

Senator Donovan moved, Senator Umbarger seconded, to recommend **SB 615** as amended, favorably for passage. Motion carried.

The Chairman called for final action on **SB 640–Recodification of certain drug crimes.** Senator Vratil reviewed the bill.

Senator Goodwin moved, Senator Umbarger seconded, to recommend **SB 640** favorably for passage. Motion carried.

Senator Journey briefly reviewed **SB 590–Establishing the substance abuse policy board** and requested the Chairman consider having it blessed.

The Chairman thanked the committee and staff for the hard work performed during the first half of the legislative session.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 A.M. The next scheduled meeting is March 4, 2008.