

MINUTES OF THE SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ty Masterson at 12:15pm on Thursday, June 23, 2016, 548-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Scott Abbott, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Tamera Lawrence, Officer of the Revisor of Statutes
David Wiese, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Jason Long, Office of Revisor of Statutes
J.G. Scott, Legislative Research Department
Shirley Morrow, Legislative Research Department
Dylan Dear, Legislative Research Department
Bobbi Mariani, Legislative Research Department
Amy Deckard, Legislative Research Department
David Fye, Legislative Research Department
Steven Wu, Legislative Research Department
Aaron Klaassen, Legislative Research Department
Sharon Wenger, Legislative Research Department
Mark Savoy, Legislative Research Department
Jennifer Ouellete, Legislative Research Department
Edward Penner, Legislative Research Department
Debbie Luper, Chief of staff
Dee Heideman, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

No conferees present

Others in attendance:

No list available

Meeting at Rail

Before the Senate Ways and Means Committee Meeting was held at 12:15 p.m., Chairperson Masterson called a short Senate Ways Committee meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. at the Rail outside the Senate Chamber in the Capitol for the purpose of introducing school finance legislation.

All members were present except: Senator O'Donnell - excused.

Staff members in attendance:

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No conferees appeared before the committee.

Senator Denning moved to introduce legislation concerning school finance. Senator Arpke seconded the motion and the motion was adopted on a voice vote.

Senator Kelly moved to introduce legislation that also concerned school finance. Senator Francisco seconded the motion and the motion was passed on a voice vote.

Chairperson Masterson adjourned the meeting at the Rail at 8:32 a.m.

Meeting of Senate Ways and Means

The hearing on **SB1** was held in a joint meeting with the House Appropriations and Senate Ways and Means Committees. For information concerning the hearing, see the minutes and attachments from the joint meeting, dated June 23, 2016.

Final action on: SB1 - Appropriation revisions for fiscal year 2017 for various agencies.

After calling the meeting of Senate Ways and Means to order, Chairperson Masterson asked for input for taking final action on **SB1**.

Senator Kelly made a motion to introduce an amendment to **SB1**. The motion was seconded by Senator Francisco.

Dale Dennis, Deputy Commissioner of Education, Kansas Board of Education, answered questions from the podium from committee members concerning education funding. He distributed the following computer runs that explained different school finance scenarios:

- Supplemental General (LOB) State Aid - Comparing the Block Grant Law with the School Finance Law Prior to 2014-15 ([Attachment 1](#));
- 2016-17 Reduction in General State Aid ([Attachment 2](#));
- Freezing of Virtual State Aid for Full-Time Students ([Attachment 3](#)).

Time was allotted for questions, answers, and comments concerning Senator Kelly's motion to amend.

The Chairperson recalled Senator Kelly's motion and the motion to amend failed on a voice vote.

Senator Francisco made a motion to amend **SB1** with the second by Senator Kelly. Senator Francisco's

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Senator Francisco moved to amend the bill by using money from the job creation program rather than reducing school budgets by .05%. Senator Kelly seconded the motion. The motion failed on a voice vote.

Information entitled "Kansas Democrats' School Finance Proposal Revenue Package," was distributed to the committee ([Attachment 4](#)).

*Senator Melcher moved to pass **SB1** out of committee favorably with the second by Senator Arpke. The motion carried on a roll call vote and the bill was passed out of committee.*

The complete transcript of proceedings, introduction and action on amendments, of this Senate Ways and Means Committee meeting, recorded by Lora Appino, Certified Court Reporter, Appino and Biggs Reporting Service, Inc., is attached to these minutes. All questions, answers, comments, and all discussion concerning the amendments that were introduced and final action on **SB1** is also included in the attached transcript ([Attachment 5](#)).

Chairperson Masterson adjourned the Senate Ways and Means Committee meeting at 12:43 p.m.

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