

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jene Vickrey at 3:30 P.M. on January 17, 2006 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Mike Heim, Legislative Research Department

Theresa Kiernan, Revisor of Statutes Office

Maureen Stinson, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Senator Mark Gilstrap

Others attending:

See an attached list.

Bill Introductions

Rep. Yonally requested a bill relating to local units of governments and surveys. He said that current law uses the term "competent engineers" and that he is requesting the term be changed to "licensed land surveyors." Rep. Yonally made a motion to introduce the proposed change as a Committee Bill. Rep. Huebert seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Richard Gannon, Kansas Press Association, requested a bill requiring the recording of executive sessions and amending K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 75-4319. Rep. Craft made a motion to introduce the proposed change as a Committee Bill. Rep. Goico seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Rep. Goico requested a bill relating to wood shake shingles and covenants. Rep. Goico made a motion to introduce the proposed legislation as a Committee Bill. Rep. Huebert seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Rep. Holland requested a bill relating to the district reapportionment process. He also requested a bill relating to campaign contributions to candidates for the office of insurance commissioner. Rep. Holland made a motion to introduce the proposed legislation relating to district reapportionment as a Committee Bill. Rep. Storm seconded the motion. Motion Passed. Rep. Holland made a motion to introduce the proposed legislation relating to campaign finance as a Committee Bill. Rep. Melody Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Rep. Beamer requested a bill relating to recreation boards appointed by school districts. Rep. Beamer made a motion to introduce the proposed legislation relating to recreation boards as a Committee Bill. Rep. Holland seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Chairman Vickrey opened the hearing on:

SB 164 Cities, quarterly reports, publication of

Sen. Gilstrap testified in support of the bill (Attachment 1). He explained that the 30-day time frame in the current law is problematic for cities where the official city newspaper is published on a weekly basis.

Chairman Vickrey closed the hearing on **SB 164**.

SB 164 Cities, quarterly reports, publication of

Rep. Yonally made a motion to amending the bill so that the publication dates are extended only in cases where the official city newspaper is not published on a daily basis. Rep. Storm seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Rep. Sawyer made a motion for the favorable passage of SB 164 as amended. Rep. Goico seconded the

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motion. The motion carried.

Chairman Vickrey adjourned the meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled Thursday, January 19, 2006.