

MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Vratil at 9:35 A.M. on March 26, 2008, in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Donald Betts arrived, 9:41 A.M.

David Haley - excused

Derek Schmidt - excused

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 called for final action on **HB 2825–Closing court proceedings and sealing court records; good cause finding on the record required.** The Chairman reviewed the bill.

Senator Lynn moved, Senator Journey seconded, to recommend HB 2825 favorably for passage. Motion carried.

The Chairman called for final action on **HB 2732–Sentencing, mitigating factors, departure limitations on crime of extreme sexual violence.** The Chairman reviewed the bill.

Senator Journey moved, Senator Goodwin seconded, to table HB 2732. Motion carried.

The Chairman called for final action on **SB 591–Allowing offenders who owe fines or restitution to be issued a restricted driver's license if they are in compliance with a payment agreement.** Senator Journey reviewed the bill and distributed a balloon amendment (Attachment 1).

Senator Journey moved, Senator Donovan seconded, to amend SB 591 by gutting the bill and inserting the language reflected in the balloon with an effective date of January 1, 2009, and a sunset date of January 1, 2011. Motion carried.

Senator Journey moved, Senator Betts seconded, to recommend SB 591 as amended, favorably for passage. Motion carried.

The Chairman called for final action on **SB 671–Mistreatment of dependent adults; increased penalties; definition of fiduciary abuse.** The Chairman reviewed the bill.

Senator Lynn moved, Senator Journey seconded, to recommend SB 671 for an interim study. Motion carried.

The Chairman thanked the committee for their hard work during the session..

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 A.M. This was the last scheduled meeting of the 2008 session.