

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Barbara P. Allen at 1:30 p.m. on March 20, 2003 in Room 245-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes
Mike Heim, Legislative Research
Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research

Conferees appearing before the committee: Jack Rickerson, Director of Personnel Services, Department of Administration
Carol Williams, Executive Director, Governmental Ethics Commission
Andy Sanchez, Executive Director, Kansas Association of Public Employees (KAPE)

Others attending: See attached list

Approval of minutes

Senator Buhler made a motion to approve the committee minutes of January 21 through March 5. Senator Clark seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Hearing on:

SB 265 - Providing an exemption to the ban on certain former state officers and employees right to be employed by or contract with certain person or businesses

Chairperson Allen brought the committee's attention to and opened the public hearing on **SB 265**.

Jack Rickerson, Director, Division of Personnel Services, recognized by Chairperson Allen spoke in support of **SB 265**. His testimony reflected the original intent was to keep a person who was leaving the state, working for someone who had a contract with the state. **SB 265** would lift this restriction (Attachment 1).

Carol Williams, Executive Director, Governmental Ethics Commission, presented testimony in support of **SB 265**. She stated a state officer or employee who has been involved in the making of a contract on behalf of the state with any person or business is prohibited from accepting employment with such person or business for either two years after leaving the state or two years after completion of the contract, whichever is first. The new language in **SB 265** would permit a state employee who is laid off from any state position to accept employment with an outside entity in which the state employee has participated in the making of a contract while employed by the State without waiting for two years after leaving state employment or completion of the state contract (Attachment 2).

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Andy Sanchez, executive director, Kansas Association of Public Employees presented testimony in support of **SB 265**. **SB 265** would allow state employees who are laid off, a chance to further their career and support their families (Attachment 3).

Senator Schmidt ask Chairperson Allen, the minutes reflect, he did not participate in the deliberations and expressed his intent to excuse himself from consideration on **SB 265**.

Chairperson Allen requested Jack Rickerson, if the desire of the administration was to alter or amend **SB 265**, to draft amendments and work with Ken Wilke, Revisor. The Chair stated the committee would not be working the **SB 265** today. The amendments would be needed to work **SB 265** Tuesday, March 25.

There being no other conferees to testify on **SB 265**, the Chair closed the hearing.

Action on **HB 2023, HB 2122**

Chairperson Allen asked the committee to turn their attention to **HB 2023**. **HB 2023** had a hearing on March 13, 2003. The Chair had requested Representative Goico and Marvin Rainey, conferee from Shawnee, who had appeared before the committee to draft language as an alternative. This balloon would apply to wood shakes, composition shingles if they would need or exceed the fire resistance for a Class C roof, apply to any restrictive covenant either in existence in effect of this act or introduce on or after the effect of this act and the covenant could address color style or other aesthetic characteristics of roofing material (Attachment 4).

Senator Schmidt moved to amend **HB 2023** by on line 15 after (,) insert “any provision of”, line 18 before “shall” insert “any provision of”, strike lines 22, 23 and the “or” in line 24, adopt the top bracket of the balloon putting “a” in the appropriate place. On the second bracket strike “permits or allows the use”. Senator Buhler seconded the motion. The motion carried. Senator Schmidt moved to adopt the bottom two brackets, seconded by Senator Clark, the motion carried. Senator Clark moved to amend further on line 22 add the word “by” in the proper place and pass **HB 2023** as amended and requested a Substitute Bill. Senator Schmidt seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

HB 2122 - abandoned property relating to the rehabilitation thereof

The Chair requested Ken Wilke, Revisor to hand out the balloon (Attachment 5), with the requested amendments of Representative Rehorn and Senator O’Connor concerns about mechanics lien. Moved by Senator Clark seconded by Senator Huelskamp that the committee adopt the balloon amendment, the motion carried.

Senator Gilstrap moved to pass **HB 2122** out of committee favorably as amended, seconded by Senator Gooch. The motion carried.

Adjournment

Chairperson Allen informed the committee it would not be meeting tomorrow, Friday, March 21, or

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Monday, March 24. The committee would meet on Tuesday, March 25, at 1:00 p.m. instead of the usual 1:30 p.m. time scheduled.

The meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.