

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TAXATION COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wagle at 9:00 a.m. on January 25, 2000, in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:      Rep. Wilk - excused  
   Rep. Johnston – excused  
   Rep. Campbell - excused

Committee staff present:                      Chris Courtwright, Legislative research Department  
   April Holman, Legislative Research Department  
   Don Hayward, Revisor of Statutes  
   Shirley Sicilian, Department of Revenue  
   Ann Deitcher, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:      Rep. Sloan  
   Bob Krehbiel, KIOGA  
   Karen France, Kansas Assoc. of Realtors  
   Larry Kipp  
   Matthew Goddard, Heartland Community Bankers, Assoc.  
   Pat Wells, Douglas County Treasurer  
   Eileen King, Riley County Treasurer

The Chair introduced Richard Jones, Executive Director of Kansas Association of Conservation Districts who offered the Committee a copy of a resolution to be introduced. This would call for the Legislature to put forth for a vote in the General Election, a one quarter cent sales tax increase for conservation of wild life and parks.

Representative Vickory moved for the adoption of this resolution, Representative Kirk seconded the motion and it passed on a voice vote.

Next to appear before the Committee was Bob Krehbiel, Exec. Vice President of Kansas Independent Oil and Gas Association who requested a sales tax exemption for oil and gas machinery and equipment, presently a part of **HB 2009**, that the Association has decided to separate the two provisions. This bill would extract the oil and gas portion from the manufacturer's portion of that sales tax bill.

Representative Long moved and Representative Gatewood seconded the adoption of this bill. The motion carried on a voice vote.

The second bill Mr. Krehbiel called to their attention had to do with a request by the Corp. of Engineers that deals with the enhanced recovery exemption to the severance tax. He said that the practical application of the bill that passed two years has come in conflict with the underlying intent and needs some clarification language in a couple scenarios which existed.

Representative Tedder made the motion to adopt the bill and Representative Osborne seconded the motion which carried on a voice vote.

Representative Minor moved for the adoption of a concurrent resolution memorializing Congress to eliminate or significantly reduce the tax based on Social Security benefits. Representative Findley seconded the motion which passed on a voice vote.

## CONTINUATION SHEET

The Chair recommended the adoption of a committee bill regarding property tax presented by a group of legislators having to do with the evaluation of land devoted to agricultural use. The motion was seconded by Representative Gilbert and was passed on a voice vote.

Next on the agenda was Representative Sloan who explained **HB 2620. (Attachment 1).**

Speaking before the Committee was Karen France, representing Kansas Association of Realtors who spoke in support of **HB 2620. (Attachment 2).**

Larry Kipp appeared as a proponent of **HB 2620. (Attachment 3).**

Representative Sloan then addressed the Committee in regard to **HB 2621. (Attachment 4).**

Matthew Goddard of the Heartland Community Bankers Association spoke to the Committee in support of **HB 2621. (Attachment 5).**

Douglas County Treasurer, Pat Wells appeared as a proponent of **HB 2621. (Attachment 6).**

Next to appear as a proponent of **HB 2621** was Eileen King, Riley County Treasurer. **(Attachment 7).**

Karen France of the Kansas Association of Realtors, appeared again before the Committee in support of **HB 2621. (Attachment 8).**

Representative Minor asked if this legislature was passed, would it mean that the property tax payer was no longer responsible for any penalties. He felt that if that was the case, he wondered how there going to collect these monies. Representative Sloan said he didn't think that would be a problem.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 26, 2000.