

MINUTES OF THE SENATE TRANSPORTATION & TOURISM COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Ben Vidricksen at 9:05 a.m. on January 26, 2000 in Room 245-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department  
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes  
Marian F. Holeman, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Dean Carlson, Secretary, KDOT

Others attending: See attached list

**Briefing**

Secretary Dean Carlson, Kansas Department of Transportation presented a "Review of the Comprehensive Transportation Program" and effects of changes in demand transfer ([Attachment 1](#)). This includes a review of changes incorporated in the FY 2000 Governor's Budget. Secretary Carlson pointed out that further reductions in funding to KDOT will necessitate, at least, cancelling systems enhancements throughout the state. They are already dangerously low on staff, especially in-house engineers. Reduced funding also means counties and local communities will receive less money to assist in care of non-federal and non-state roads and bridges.

Members asked for clarification and additional information on several points covered in Secretary Carlson's briefing.

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 27, 2000