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MINUTES OF THE SENATE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Brungardt at 10:30 a.m. on January 17, 2006 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Mary Ann Torrence, Revisor of Statutes Office
Connie Burns, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

David Corbin, Kansas Department of Revenue

Others attending:

See attached list.

The Chairman provided information on two bill introductions. The first bill introduction is an act concerning municipalities; relating to consolidation.

Senator Reitz made the motion that this request should be introduced as a committee bill. Senator Vratil seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The next bill introduction pertains to wine manufacturers permitted to sell wine directly to consumers subject to requirements to maintain three-tier distribution system.

Senator Vratil made the motion that this request should be introduced as a committee bill. Senator Reitz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Dave Corbin, Kansas Department of Revenue, appeared before the committee to request a bill introduction. (Attachment 1)

1. KSA 41-106 violations of law; copy of citation
2. KSA 41-713 retailers; mixing drinks on premises and employment of certain persons prohibited
3. KSA 41-2610 Unlawful acts of licensee

Senator Vratil made the motion that this request should be introduced as a committee bill. Senator Reitz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The hearing on **SB 297** was cancelled, the committee discussed some of the aspects of the bill and staff was asked to provide an amendment to the bill which would allow the State Fair a temporary permit and removing certain sections dealing farm winery and micro-breweries.

Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes, provided the committee background information on 2005 City-County consolidation legislation. (Attachment 2) In the 2005 regular legislative session two bills **SB 262** and **HB 2083**, both dealing with city-county consolidations were referred to Senate Federal and State Affairs for hearings and were passed out of committee and debated before the Senate. The Senate bill was killed on the floor and the House bill passed and became law. A summary of the bills was provided. After the bill became law a commission was appointed to propose a plan for consolidation of the City of Topeka and Shawnee County. The plan was submitted to voters and was rejected in the election.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am. The next scheduled meeting is January 18, 2006.

