

MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Vratil at 9:30 A.M. on January 19, 2006, in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Mike Heim, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Jill Wolters, Office of Revisor of Statutes  
Helen Pedigo, Office of Revisor of Statutes  
Karen Clowers, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:  
See attached list.

Bill Introductions

Kyle Kessler, Director of Legislative Affairs, Social and Rehabilitation Services, requested the introduction of a bill as part of the Kansas Payment Center Clean-Up (Attachment 1). It pertains to a limited power of attorney permitting the Kansas Payment Center to automatically endorse and deposit support checks payable to custodial parents and clarifies the standards for operation of the Kansas Payment Center set forth in K.S.A. 23-4, 118. Senator Donovan moved, Senator Umbarger seconded, to introduce the bill. Motion carried.

Senator Vratil introduced a bill concerning pay for jury duty. Senator Schmidt moved, Senator Goodwin seconded, to introduce the bill. Motion carried.

The hearing on **SB 200–Fingerprinting and photographing juvenile offenders** was opened.

The Chairman gave a brief overview of the bill.

There were no conferees present, written testimony support of the bill was submitted by:  
Don Jordan, Acting Commissioner, Juvenile Justice Authority (Attachment 2)

Senator Goodwin moved, Senator Umbarger seconded, to amend the dates in the bill from 2004 to 2005. Motion carried.

Senator Bruce moved, Senator Goodwin seconded, to recommend the bill favorably and place it on the consent calendar. Motion carried.

The hearing on **SB 201–Juvenile allowed to be placed in adult jail if juvenile, on record, waived right to a hearing on motion requesting prosecution as an adult** was opened.

Senator Jordan briefed the committee on the bill. The Chairman pointed out that the only amendment to current law in this bill pertains to a motion requesting prosecution as an adult, for a person who has waived the right to a hearing on the motion requesting prosecution as an adult.

There were no conferees present, the following conferees did not appear before the committee but requested that their written testimony in support of the bill be distributed and placed in the committee minutes.  
Don Jordan, Acting Commissioner, Juvenile Justice Authority (Attachment 2)

Senator Bruce moved, Senator Umbarger seconded, that the committee recommends **SB 201** favorably for passage. Motion carried.

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Final Action **SB 342--Obstruction of a Medicaid fraud investigation and forfeiture of proceeds**

Senator Vratil called for final action on **SB 342**. There was a proposed amendment referring to language in Section 2. The amendment involves a policy question concerning bankruptcy laws. Senator Journey moved, Senator O'Connor seconded, to amend the bill on page 2, line 23, adding the phrase, "except as otherwise provided by law". Motion carried.

The Attorney General also had a proposed amendment and provided a balloon with the requested change to add a subsection pertaining to the severity of the offense. Senator O'Connor moved, Senator Schmidt seconded, to amend by adding another subsection to "obstruction of a medicaid fraud investigation is a severity level nine, non-person felony". Motion carried.

Senator O'Connor moved, Schmidt seconded, to recommend favorably **SB 342** as amended. Motion carried.

**SB 334 –Life imprisonment or hard 25 and lifetime parole with electronic monitoring for rape and aggravated sodomy if victim under 14 and offender over 18; lifetime post release supervision for sexually violent crimes**

Senator Schmidt provided background and indicated that there were three different balloon amendments. Senator Schmidt explained that following the public hearing on **SB 334**, he invited several interested parties whom had suggested changes to the bill to work together and attempt to meld their suggestions into one amendment. This resulted in the proposed amendments balloon which blends together the proposals made in testimony by the Secretary of Corrections, the Attorney General's office, Kansas Bureau of Investigation, and Representative Kilpatrick. Senator Schmidt explained that the proposed balloon amendment and Senator Journey's amendment are mutually exclusive, therefore the third one-page amendment would make it possible to incorporate some of Senator Journey's ideas into the bill.

The Chairman clarified that there were three distinct options for the committee to consider:

- Option 1: Proposed amendments balloon that the parties agreed on
- Option 2: Proposed amendments balloon that the parties agreed on plus the one page ( a middle ground approach between the initial approach and Senator Journey's approach
- Option 3: Senator Journey's amendment

Senator Journey briefed the committee on his amendment.

Following discussion on the differences between the amendments Senator Betts moved, Senator Journey seconded, to adopt the amendment by Senator Journey. Motion failed.

Senator Bruce moved, Senator Schmidt seconded, to adopt the proposed amendments balloon. Motion failed.

Senator Journey moved, Senator Goodwin seconded, to adopt the proposed amendments balloon plus the one page amendment. Motion carried.

Senator Schmidt moved, Senator Umbarger seconded, to favorably recommend **SB 334**. Motion carried.

Senator Donovan moved, Senator Umbarger seconded, to adopt the Committee Minutes dated January 9, January 10, and January 11, 2006. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m. The next scheduled meeting is January 24, 2006.