Approved: March 22, 2016

MINUTES OF THE SENATE ETHICS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mitch Holmes at 9:38am on Wednesday, March 16, 2016, 142-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Susan Wagle – Excused Senator Kay Wolf – Excused

Committee staff present:

Mike Heim, Office of Revisor of Statutes Jill Shelley, Legislative Research Department Darla Conner, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant Chuck Reimer, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

No conferees present

Others in attendance:

See Attached List

Possible action on bills previously heard

Chairman Holmes opened final action on HB2558 could be used as a vehicle to work HB2213-Campaign finance; increasing contribution limits; contributions received during primary period, HB2182-Campaign finance solicitations; legislative session, and HB2215-Campaign finance; transfer of finance funds. No motions were offered.

Chairman Holmes informed the committee of an issue relating to the election timing bill enacted in 2015. It was brought to his attention by Mr. Lloyd Kurtz, Ellinwood District Hospital Board, that the bill did not address Hospital District Board members whose terms are for 3 years or are staggered terms. (Attachment 1) Chairman Holmes had a balloon amendment distributed. (Attachment 2) Chairman Holmes moved to amend HB2558 with his amendment. Seconded by Senator Love. Motion carried.

Following discussion, <u>Senator Fitzgerald moved</u>, <u>Senator O'Donnell seconded</u>, <u>to recommend **HB2558**</u> <u>as amended</u>, <u>favorably for passage</u>. <u>Motion carried</u>.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 am.