

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Melvin Neufeld at 9:00 a.m. on March 17, 2004 in Room 514-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Vern Osborne- excused

Committee staff present:

Alan Conroy, Legislative Research
J. G. Scott, Legislative Research
Amy VanHouse, Legislative Research
Leah Robinson, Legislative Research
Michele Alishahi, Legislative Research
Nicoletta Buonasera, Legislative Research
Audrey Dunkel, Legislative Research
Susan Kannarr, Legislative Research
Melissa Calderwood, Legislative Research
Julian Efird, Legislative Research
Becky Krahl, Legislative Research
Robert Waller, Legislative Research
Amy Deckard, Legislative Research
Debra Hollon, Legislative Research
Carolyn Rampey, Legislative Research
Jim Wilson, Revisor of Statutes
Mike Corrigan, Revisor of Statutes
Nikki Feuerborn, Administrative Analyst
Shirley Jepson, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

See Attached List.

- Attachment 1 Governor's Recommendations As Adjusted by House Appropriations Committee Plus KPERS Pension Obligation Bonds
- Attachment 2 House Appropriations Committee Recommendations-Statutory Outyears
- Attachment 3 Updated Budget Reports
- Attachment 4 Proposed Amendment to **HB 2900**, Department of Administration FY 2005 budget
- Attachment 5 Proposed Amendment to **HB 2900**
- Attachment 6 Budget Committee report on **HB 2571**

Chairman Neufeld recognized Alan Conroy, Legislative Research Department, who presented updated reports on the Governor's Recommendations as adjusted by the House Appropriations Committee plus KPERS Pension Obligation Bonds (Attachment 1) and House Appropriations Committee Recommendations - Statutory Outyears (Attachment 2).

Amy VanHouse, Legislative Research Department, distributed updated copies of the House Committee Adjustments Compared to Governor's Recommendation Reflecting Committee Action as of March 15, 2004; House Appropriations Bill Reflecting House Adjustments for FY 2004 and FY 2005, Items for Omnibus Consideration; and Additional Items for House Committee Consideration (Attachment 3). It was noted that there were some technical adjustments as well as some miscellaneous adjustments to the reports that were handed out at the previous meeting.

Discussion and Action on HB 2900 - Appropriations for FY2005 and FY2006 for state agencies.

Representative Pottorff moved to amend the Legislature FY 2005 budget by adding funding for dues for National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) in the amount of \$10,000. The motion was seconded by Representative Bethell. Division was requested. Motion failed.

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Representative Howell moved to amend the Legislature FY 2005 budget by striking Item No. 5 of the House Adjustments for FY 2005 which added \$60,390 for the legislative non-session expenditure allowance by approximately 20 percent, or \$55 bi-weekly starting January 1, 2005. The motion was seconded by Representative Light. Motion failed.

Representative Howell moved to amend the Attorney General FY 2005 budget by the addition of 2.0 FTE for the white collar crime unit. The motion was seconded by Representative Shriver. Motion carried.

Responding to a question from the Committee concerning unclaimed property funds, Melissa Calderwood, Legislative Research Department, stated that these funds are a part of the State General Fund. The amount of unclaimed property in FY 2004 is approximately \$14 million and the amount in FY 2005 is proposed to be \$14.5 and \$16 million.

Representative Merrick moved to amend **HB 2900** and the Department of Administration FY 2005 budget by adding language concerning expenditures from the Department of Administration or the Department of Transportation regarding implementation of the policy that limits the vendors from which the Department of Transportation may purchase automotive parts and supplies (Attachment 4). The motion was seconded by Representative Schwartz. Division was requested. Motion failed.

Representative Merrick moved to review the issue of the purchasing practices of the Department of Administration with regard to purchase of automotive parts and supplies by the Department of Transportation before Omnibus. The motion was seconded by Representative Feuerborn. Motion carried.

Representative Feuerborn moved to reduce the \$200,000 EDIF addition on Page 3, Item No. 1 of the FY 2005 Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation (KTEC) budget to \$160,000 EDIF to support and rebuild commercialization efforts. The motion was seconded by Representative Sharp. Motion carried.

Representative Shriver moved to have the Social Services Budget Committee review and report on the transfer of the Older Kansan Employment Program (OKEP) and Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) to the Department on Aging. The motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Bethell moved for the Social Services Budget Committee to review and report on the issue of hospital closure proposals by the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services (SRS) prior to Omnibus. The motion was seconded by Representative Landwehr. Motion carried.

The Committee recognized that the House added \$1 million from the State General Fund (SGF) and the Senate added \$500,000 from the Children's Initiatives Fund (CIF) to the University of Kansas Medical Center Brain Research Program.

Representative Bethell moved to add a proviso requesting the Board of Regents to review increasing the number of slots for dental students at out-of-state dental schools or set up dental schools within the state system. The motion was seconded by Representative Landwehr. Motion carried.

Representative Shriver moved to adopt the Governor's Budget Amendment (GBA) No. 1, Item No. 7, correcting FTE position limitation for the FY 2005 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) budget. The motion was seconded by Representative Minor. Motion carried.

Representative Campbell moved to amend **HB 2900** by striking lines 17 - 43 of page 174 and lines 1 thru 4 of page 175 of section 70, regarding fee funds. The motion was seconded by Representative Merrick. Division was requested. Motion failed.

The Committee noted that the fiscal note on Representative Campbell's motion would be \$4.5 million.

Representative Huebert moved to amend **HB 2900** by inserting language on Page 176, following Line 6, creating a new Section No.72, regarding disbursement of federal grants or other federal moneys by any state agency to any district attorney's office unless expenditures are itemized (Attachment 5). The motion was seconded by Representative Landwehr. Motion failed.

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The Committee felt that this action might better be addressed by legislation.

Representative Feuerborn moved to allow for technical adjustments or corrections to **HB 2900** as necessary. The motion was seconded by Representative Shultz. Motion carried.

Representative Shultz moved to recommend **HB 2900** favorable for passage as amended. The motion was seconded by Representative Ballard. Motion carried.

Discussion and Action on HB 2899 - Appropriations for FY2004 and FY2005, supplemental appropriations for various state agencies.

Representative Shriver moved to amend **HB 2899** by adopting the Governor's Budget Amendment (GBA) No. 1, Item No. 7, correcting FTE position limitation for the FY 2004 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) budget. The motion was seconded by Representative Minor. Motion carried.

Representative Shultz moved to amend **HB 2899** to include expenditure authority for the Other Federal Grants Fund including a proviso limiting use of the fund to grants less than \$750,000 which do not require a state match. The motion was seconded by Representative Feuerborn. Motion carried.

Representative Shriver moved to allow for technical adjustments or corrections to **HB 2899** as necessary. The motion was seconded by Representative Shultz. Motion carried.

Representative Feuerborn moved to recommend **HB 2899** favorable for passage as amended. The motion was seconded by Representative Shultz. Motion carried.

Discussion and Action on HB 2898 - Appropriations for FY2004, FY2005 and FY 2006 for capital improvements for various state agencies.

Representative Neufeld moved to amend **HB 2898** by removing the insurance premium payments that are paid from the State Building Funds and review the issue at Omnibus. The motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Shriver moved to allow for technical adjustments or corrections to **HB 2898** as necessary. The motion was seconded by Representative Shultz. Motion carried.

Representative Shriver moved to recommend **HB 2898** favorable for passage as amended. The motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Discussion and Action on HB 2571 - Authorizing SRS child support enforcement employees to obtain birth certificate copies for certain children born out of wedlock.

Representative Landwehr presented the Social Services Budget Committee report on **HB 2571** and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation to amend the bill (Attachment 6). The motion was seconded by Representative Bethell. Motion carried.

Representative Landwehr moved to recommend **HB 2571** favorable for passage. The motion was seconded by Representative Ballard. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m. The next meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on March 18, 2004.

Melvin Neufeld, Chairman