

MINUTES OF KANSAS SELECT COMMITTEE ON SECURITY

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lee Tafanelli at 12:00 p.m. on February 21, 2003 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative John Faber
Representative Tom Holland
Representative Tim Owens

Committee staff present:

Robert Waller, Legislative Research Department
Bruce Kinzie, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Carol Doel, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Eric Melgrin, U.S. Attorney
Jeffrey Russell, Director, Legislative Administrative Services

Others attending:

See attached list

Chairman Tafanelli called the meeting to order and thanked Mr. Bill Jarrell of the Boeing Company for providing lunch for the committee and staff.

Next on the agenda, the Chairman asked for approval of the minutes for February 14th. Representative Carlin called to the attention that Dr. Trewyn's name had two letters reversed which will be corrected. With no further additions or corrections Representative Goico made a motion to adopt the minutes with Representative Dahl making a second on the motion. Vote was taken. Minutes were adopted.

Chairman Tafanelli introduced the US Attorney, Eric Melgrin who spoke on the Patriot Act. This is an act to deter and punish terrorist acts in the United States and around the world, to enhance law enforcement investigatory tools, and for other purposes

This Act may be cited as the 'Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism (USA PATRIOT) Act of 2001 **HR 3162** Mr. Melgrin commended the committee for looking into the Homeland Security issues. (No written testimony - The Patriot Act can be found on Internet - US Government **HR 3162**)

Mr. Melgrin stood for questions from the committee.

Next to appear in presentation before the committee was Jeffrey Russell, Director, Legislative Administrative Services. Mr. Russell addressed the committee on continuity of government with a the scenario of "what would the Legislature's alternatives be if the Capitol Building became uninhabitable for any reason?" (Attachment 1) Also included in his testimony was a "Check List for Continuity of Government" (Attachment 2) as well as a copy of "Wisconsin's Operation Plan Guidance" which shows an example of a good document to guide one through the planning process to achieve a state of readiness. (Attachment 3.)

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TAXATION COMMITTEE at 9:00 a.m. on February 21, 2003 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

With no further business before the committee, Chairman Tapanelli adjourned at 1:20 p.m.