MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL STUDY COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL AND REHABILITATIVE INSTITUTIONS

Held in Room 254-E at the Statehouse, at 12:25 p.m., on February 25, 1980.

Members present were:

Senator Robert Talkington, Chairman Representative Joe Hoagland, Vice Chairman Senator Mike Johnston Representative David Heinemann Representative Phil Martin

Staff present were:

Fred Carman, Revisor's Office Emalene Correll, Legislative Research Department Ray Hauke, Legislative Research Department Marlin Rein, Legislative Research Department Robert A. Coldsnow, Legislative Counsel

The Chairman called the meeting to order and stated requests for an executive session had been received previously from two persons who were present. After reviewing the information they wished to give with Mr. Coldsnow, he stated it had been determined that a closed meeting was warranted.

Representative Hoagland moved that the Special Study Committee on Social and Rehabilitative Institutions recess for a closed meeting to discuss and review certain personnel matters of nonelected personnel, and for the purpose of consultation with counsel for the committee in the attorney-client relationship, and to discuss and review matters relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting certain persons as patients or residents of public institutions in Kansas, the committee to resume in open meeting at 1:25 p.m., February 25, 1980. Representative Martin seconded the motion.

In discussion, Senator Johnston said the committee had indicated earlier executive sessions would be used very sparingly, that other state employees had appeared in open session, and he questioned if this proposed executive session was being conducted because the conferees did not want to be identified in the media. If so, he might take a narrow view of requests for executive sessions in the future. The Chairman stated the action was based on the information the conferees have rather than on fear of identification. Senator Johnston noted that receiving information in executive session might make this information appear more sinister than it really is. The Chairman stated that executive sessions would be used very sparingly and no further requests had been received at this time.

The vote was taken, and the motion carried. The committee went into excutive session at 12:30 p.m.

At 1:25 p.m., the committee reconvened in open session. A motion was made by Senator Johnston to adjourn. Representative Heinemann seconded it, and the motion carried.

Chairman

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