

Approved March 20, 1990  
Date

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The meeting was called to order by Elizabeth Baker at  
Chairperson

3:39 ~~xxx~~ p.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 1990 in room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representatives Barkis, Chronister, Brady, Goossen, Heinemann, Kline, Russell, Dean and Mead. Excused.

Committee staff present:  
Lynne Holt, Research  
Elaine Johnson, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:  
Dorothy L. Ilgen, Executive Director, Kansas Arts Commission

The meeting was called to order at 3:39 p.m. by Chairperson Baker.

The minutes of the February 19, 20 and 21, 1990 meetings were approved.

Representative Baker opened the hearing on SB 498 and recognized Dorothy Ilgen, Executive Director of the Kansas Arts Commission.

Ms. Ilgen testified in support of this bill. SB 498 will authorize the Kansas Arts Commission to adopt rules and regulations. This proposed legislation will formalize the public review process of its funding programs. Attachment 1.

Ms. Ilgen responded to questions from the committee.

Representative Baker closed the hearing on SB 498.

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

*Elizabeth Baker*



Testimony Before the House Committee  
on Economic Development on Senate Bill 498

by Dorothy L. Ilgen, Executive Director

Kansas Arts Commission

Senate Bill 498 will authorize the Kansas Arts Commission to adopt rules and regulations. This authority will have its greatest impact on the Commission's policies and guidelines, particularly the funding guidelines for the KAC's grant programs.

Currently, the KAC is meeting, to some extent, the intent of rules and regulations by inviting public review and comment on all of its funding program guidelines. The Commission's policy manual addresses the procedures governing this public review. After the completion of the public review, the Commission endeavors to publish its guidelines at least three months prior to the grant deadline.

The proposed legislation will further formalize this public review process and will require the KAC to extend its lead-time to promulgate funding guidelines to nearly nine months (from the current three or four months).

Adopting rules and regulations is not without some problems. For example, many of the KAC's programs are funded by special competitive federal grants. The National Endowment for the Arts operates on a short timeline, giving agencies less than a month's notice, in some cases, of successful funding. This situation presents the Commission with the unique problem of implementing programs within weeks of grant notification. Unfortunately, even the provision for temporary regulations does not allow the Commission to address this situation adequately.

A fiscal note prepared by the Division of Budget on S.B. 498 states that this bill would have no fiscal impact on the Kansas Arts Commission's budget. A conservative estimate of expenditures related to rules and regulations (publication of funding regulations in the Kansas Register, public hearings, etc.) is an additional \$4500 per year.

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*House Eco. Dev. Committee*

*Attachment 1*

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