Approved: Al Raminez 3-22-93
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Al Ramirez at 1:30 p.m. on March 17, 1993 in Room 531-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Bogina - Excused

Senator Feleciano - Excused Senator Vidricksen - Excused

Committee staff present: Julian Efird, Legislative Research Department

Fred Carman, Revisor of Statutes Jackie Breymeyer, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Tom Day, Kansas Corporation Commission

Others attending: See attached list

Chairman Ramirez called the meeting to order and stated the agenda for the meeting was **SB 398** - conservation division of state corporation commission employees in unclassified services

Tom Day, Director of Administrative Services, Kansas Corporation Commission, appeared in support of the bill and distributed his testimony to the committee. (Attachment 1)

The petroleum engineer and interagency coordinator have not been specifically mentioned in the statutes, but have been established through appropriations language for the past six years. This bill will place the two positions in statute rather than annually requesting appropriations language for their authority. The two positions will be in the unclassified service.

After a short discussion, the Chairman thanked Mr. Day, closed the hearing and adjourned the meeting.

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KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION

Testimony of Tom Day, Director of Administrative Services to the

Senate Governmental Organization Committee

March 16, 1993

Senate Bill 398

Through the sunset audit of the agency during the 1991 and 1992 Legislative sessions, Legislative Research staff noted the petroleum engineer and interagency coordinator within the Conservation Division were not specifically mentioned in the statutes. However, they have been established through appropriations language for the past six years.

During the agency's budget hearings with the 1992 Legislature, the House Appropriations subcommittee included in the KCC's appropriations bill, authority for the Commission to retain two existing positions in the unclassified service. It is stated in the subcommittee report "(b) ecause the KCC is in a process of reorganization, the Subcommittee recommends that the positions be authorized in the appropriations bill. However, it thinks the Commission should seek statutory authorization for these positions in FY 1993 when the Commission's reorganization is final."

Senate Bill 398 amends K.S.A. 74-606 to place the two positions in statute rather than annually requesting appropriations language for their authority.

There is no fiscal impact on this agency and no impact on any other agency.

J.O. Committee Attachment 1 3/17/93