MINUTES OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Marc Rhoades at 9:10 a.m. on January 24, 2011, in Room 346-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

Committee staff present:

Jim Wilson, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Nobuko Folmsbee, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Alan Conroy, Kansas Legislative Research Department
J.G. Scott, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Jarod Waltner, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Shirley Morrow, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Cindy O'Neal, Administrative Assistant, Appropriations Committee
Kathy Holscher, Committee Assistant, Appropriations Committee

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Landon Fulmer, Governor's Office Sherry Diel, Kansas Real Estate Commission Mike Mathes, USD 345 – Seaman Luke Bell, Kansas Association of Realtors

Others attending:

See attached list.

•	Attachment 1	House Appropriations Committee Rules
•	Attachment 2	Information for Conferees
•	Attachment 3	Legislative Research – Governor's Budget Adjustment Bill
•	Attachment 4	Revisions to Governor's FY 2011 Budget Recommendations
•	Attachment 5	Testimony – Kansas Real Estate Commission
•	Attachment 6	Testimony – Unified School Administrators of Kansas and
		Kansas School Superintendents Association
•	Attachment 7	Testimony – Kansas Real Estate Commission

Chairman Rhoades welcomed committee members. He referred to a revision on line fifteen of the House Appropriations Committee Rules (<u>Attachment 1</u>), and Information for Conferees (<u>Attachment 2</u>), which has been distributed to members.

HB 2014: An Act making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011

- J.G. Scott, Chief Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Research Department, presented an overview of the Governor's Budget Adjustment Bill, (Attachment 3). He stated that \$138 million in State General Fund (SGF) shifts were expenditures appropriated in FY 2010. These funds were not spent and were authorized to be moved forward to FY 2011. \$132 million of this money was for school finance that was due in 2010 but paid in 2011. Human Service caseloads, which includes replacing federal stimulus funding is approximately \$49.3 million, Base State Aid Per Pupil would be a reduction of \$75 on the base, SFG reduction of \$85.9 million and with an increase in the same amount for the new federal Education Jobs, \$8.5 million for SGF would laspe, and adjustments to SGF transfers. He referred to the summary sheet which reflects a summary of all of the agency expenditure adjustments, SGF Revenue Adjustments, and individual adjustments of expenditures, revenues and transfers.
- J.G. Scott, Leah Robinson and Amy Deckard, Legislative Research Department, responded to questions from committee members. It was noted that if the bill is adopted there would be no increases in the undermarket pay. SGF shifts were due to the change in stimulus dollars for the Department of Social and Rehabilition Services and other services that received Medicaid funding. Fund transfers within the Secretary of State's Office, Kansas Public Employees Retirement System were discussed. Increased funding recommendations for the State Water Plan Fund, Sumner County Gaming revenues and shifts from contractual to permanent employees within the Health Policy Authority were discussed.

Landon Fulmer, Director of Policy, Office of the Governor, presented an overview of the Revisions to Governor's FY 2011 Budget Recommendations, (<u>Attachment 4</u>). The passage of <u>HB 2014</u> will address

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revenue shortfalls, eliviate the delay of payments in aid to schools and assist Medicaid agencies with budget planning efforts for increased caseloads, in order to meet the needs of the most vulnerable, he stated. The Governor proposes transfering \$86 million of the federal Education Jobs funding to the State General Fund for funding increased caseload entitlement programs. It was noted that this transfer would have no effect to the schools but enable the state to meet their commitment to Medicaid recipients and other health care services. The adjustments included in **HB 2014** would leave the state with a projected ending balance of \$35 million for FY 2011 based on the most recent consenus revenue projections, he added.

Landon Fulmer and Elaine Frisbie, Deputy Budget Director, Office of the Governor, responded to questions from committee members. He reviewed the Fair Fare statutory limitations for FY 2010 and the proposal to lift the cap on unspent funds for FY 2011. Funds recommended to be swept from the Securities Commission and CPOST are fees that cannot be expended in FY 2011, he stated. And an explanation of the federal review and audit process regarding maintentance of effort expenditures and the steps necessary to obtain an ending balance that meets constitutional requirements followed. Discussion followed regarding the consolidation of programs and services, and staffing issues.

Sherry Diel, Executive Director, Kansas Real Estate Commission presented testimony in opposition to **HB 2014**, (Attachment 5). She stated that the commission is 100% fee funded and expressed concern that the 10% budget reduction would impact their ability to ensure the integrity of the commission and protect the public. The recommendation was made to transfer \$200,000 from the Commission's recovery fund to the fee fund; reinstate funding in the amount of \$82,164; and increase the statutory cap for license fees for FY 2011.

Sherry Diel repsonded to questions from committee members in regards to the impact on the fee sweeps.

Mike Mathes, Superintendent, Seaman USD 345, presented testimony on behalf of United School Administrators of Kansas and the Kansas School Superintendents Association, (<u>Attachment 6</u>). Emphasis was place on the need for the legislature to fund the shortall of \$16.7 million for sepcial education for FY 2011. He stated that the loss of this funding would not meet the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act maintenance of effort requirements and would result in an expected 16% penalty or more from the state's federal funding.

Mike Mathes responded to questions from committee members. He reviewed special education funding and requirements to ensure special learning needs are met as required by law. Funds for this program are received in October of the next year and is a budget item where money can be transferred into at the end of the year. Discussion followed regarding incumbered and unincumbered/contengency funds, bonds insuance and interest payments, and the services and costs for special education students. He noted that the capital outlay funds are received from taxpayers and contingency funds come from state and local funds. Discussion followed regarding capital outlay funds, the bond issuance in 2004, and the use of four school buildings that were closed. It was noted that it is time for us as a country to look at different models of education. Clarification of profiency levels for reading skills was based on state assessments as defined by the Departmen of Education was provided.

Elaine Frisbie, Deputy Director of Budget, Governor's Office responded to questions from committee members. She stated that approximately \$2 million federal dollars were lost due to maintenance of effort requirements last year, and the amount of additional federal dollars that could be at risk would depend upon the rate that the entire budget is reduced compared to the amount the special education budget is reduced.

Luke Bell, Vice President of Governmental Affairs, Kansas Association of Realtors, provided testimony regarding <u>HB 2014</u>, (<u>Attachment 7</u>). He stated that over the last five years over \$700,000 has been lost in fee fund sweeps and the impact on backlogs with an additional 10% reduction. A request for the provision to be deleted and reviewed by the General Budget Committee with the intent that any fee fund reductions would occur in the FY 2012 budget.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

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INFORMATION FOR CONFERES 2011 KANSAS HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

- Conferees should allow no more than 10 minutes for their testimony and response to questions from committee members, unless otherwise notified by the Chair. Exceptions will be allowed for the original sponsor of a bill, staff briefings, and state agency briefings.
- 2. When time is separately reserved on the agenda for proponents and opponents of an issue and the time expires for either side, the testimony shall cease. Conferee's time limit will be determined by the number of conferees and order of business. The chairman may make exceptions for the original sponsor of a bill, Legislative Staff, and State Agency Personnel. Conferees will be recognized in the order as established by the committee chairman. No conferee will be allowed to "yield" their time to another conferee.
- 3. All conferees are requested to submit a one page summary of testimony. (More lengthy written testimony may be submitted in addition to the one page summary.)
- 4. All conferees shall have written testimony and shall provide 75 copies to the committee secretary at the time of appearance. If a one page summary and written testimony are both presented, then 75 copies of each shall be required.
- 5. At the option of the chair, all who are scheduled to testify on a bill may be required to submit written testimony 24 hours in advance of the hearing for distribution to committee members.
- 6. Anyone wishing to testify before the committee shall contact the committee assistant, a minimum of 24 business hours before the meeting.
- 7. All cell phones and pagers in the committee room shall be in "silent" mode and use of cell phones in the committee room will not be permitted.
- 8. No food or drinks will be allowed in the committee room by guests, spectators or conferees.
- 9. Any non-committee attendee who sends signals to committee members shall be removed from the committee meeting for the rest of the legislative year.
- 10. Photography (including cell phones), video, and audio taping is prohibited unless approved in advance by the Chair.
- 11. All requests for committee bills shall only be made by committee members or state agencies.

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HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE RULES

- 1. In any case where committee rules do not apply, House Rules shall govern. All powers, duties and responsibilities not addressed herein are reserved to the chair.
- 2. Cellular phones and other electronic devices with audible tones are prohibited in the Appropriations Committee Room, unless audible tones or ringers are disabled.
- 3. The chair shall determine the committee agenda, including scheduling and the order of business.
- 4. The chair reserves the right to limit testimony that is cumulative in nature and may limit testimony, when necessary, to a specific number of minutes.
- 5. Committee members shall not address conferees until and unless permission is granted by the chair.
- 6. The chair reserves the right to limit questioning of conferees by committee members in the interest of time and in the interest of fairness to conferees and other committee members.
- 7. No conferee shall be interrupted during the presentation of their testimony, except with the permission of the chair.
- 8. Questioning of a conferee shall be limited to the subject matter on the agenda for the day, except as may otherwise be allowed by the chair.
- 9. Committee members shall not be approached during a committee hearing or deliberations by anyone other than fellow legislative members or legislative staff.
- 10. No bill or resolution shall be taken up for a committee vote unless announced by the chair.
- 11. A motion requires a second to be in order.
- 12. A substitute motion is in order, but no additional substitute motion shall be in order until the prior substitute motion is disposed of.
- 13. Amendments to motions are not in order except upon consent of the member making the motion and his or her second.
- 14. A motion to table or take from the table shall be in order only when such item is on the agenda or is taken up by the chair. The motion requires a simple majority of those present and is, unless otherwise determined by the chair, non-debatable.
- 15 Photography (including cell phones), video, and audio taping is prohibited unless approved in advance by the chair.
- 16. A request from any member that their vote be recorded shall be granted.
- 17. Granting excused absences is reserved to the chair.
- 18. The chair reserves the right to take such action as may be necessary to prevent disruptive behavior in the committee room during hearings and deliberations.
- 19. Adjournment is reserved to the chair.

HB 2014 Governor's Current Year Budget Adjustment Bill

- Contains State General Fund shifts of \$138.3 million from FY 2010 to FY 2011 expenditures were authorized in FY 2010 and were shifted to the current fiscal year, FY 2011. Largest single item is \$132 million for school finance.
- Fully funds Human Services caseloads (medical, nursing facilities, foster care, etc.) including replacing shortfall of federal stimulus funding \$49.3 million.
- Base State Aid Per Pupil drops from the approved amount of \$4,012 to \$3,937, for a **reduction of \$75 on the base**.
 - Does not fund school finance amounts
 - Lower than estimated statewide property valuation
 - Higher number of students
 - Higher number of weighted students (at risk, free lunch)
- Reduces \$85.9 million from the State General Fund and increases the new federal Education Jobs funding by the same amount.
- Lapses \$8.5 million State General Fund previously appropriated for each of FY 2012 and 2013. This is the forth and fifth years of a five year appropriation to bring classified employees closer to market pay.
- Adjustments to the **State General Fund transfers** increase estimated revenue to the State General Fund by \$4.7 million. Major adjustments for FY 2011 include transfers from the Securities Commissioner Investor Education Fund (\$0.8 million) and a sweep of fees back to the State General Fund from the Commission on Peace Officers (\$0.5 million), as well as using TANF Contingency Funds totaling \$3.4 million for Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) payments.

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HB 2014 Governor's Recommended Expenditure Adjustments

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10tal Expenditure Adjustments		Total Expenditure Adjustments	\$ (52,063,113)	\$ (10,383,928)	\$ (62,447,041)	0.0

48 Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' 500,000 (500,000) - 0.0 Standards and Training (KCPOST)							
	Agency	SGF	0	ther Funds	Δ	All Funds	FTE
	Kansas Commission on Peace Officers'	\$	\$		\$		0.0
	Total Revenue Adjustments	\$ 1,300,000	\$	(1,300,000)	\$		0.0

^{*} The bill contains other transfers between special revenue funds with no overall impact on total receipts. Appropriations Committee

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House Bill No. 2014

(Reflects Governor's Recommended Adjustments for FY 2011, FY 2012, and FY 2013)

Agency/Item	State	General Fund	All Other Funds	All Funds	FTEs
EXPENDITURES					
Abstracters Board of Examiners					
Delete \$669, all from the Abstracters Fee Fu estimates in FY 2011. The decrease is attrib services and commodities.		10	(669)	(669)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	(\$669)	(\$669)	0.0
Board of Nursing	ngeney subtotal	lo nostra a e semanal	timest like met Langton in		
1. Add \$48,060, all from the Board of Nursing limit from \$1,904,365 to \$1,952,425 in FY 2 additional funds are for increased salaries ar insurance costs and Medicare payroll taxes.	2011. According to the agency, the	0	48,060	48,060	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$48,060	\$48,060	0.0
Board of Pharmacy	and complete				
 Add two no limit, federal funds for the agen Prescription Federal Fund including expendi Grant Federal Fund, including expenditures 	itures of \$378,478, and the NASPER	0	444,885	444,885	0.0
Add language allowing the agency to expend donations, bequests, or gifts in FY 2011.	d funds from non-federal sources,	0	0	0	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$444,885	\$444,885	0.0
Real Estate Commission	nestion Program				
 Delete \$94,864, all from the Real Estate Fee estimates in FY 2011. The decrease is prim recommended implementation of a 10.0 per budget estimate did not include any shrinka; 	arily attributable to the Governor's cent shrinkage rate. The agency's revised		(94,864)	(94,864)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	(\$94,864)	(\$94,864)	0.0
Board of Technical Professions					
Add \$20,000, all from the Technical Profess for a new computer database management s		at of Annal Sur 0	20,000	20,000	0.0
Add \$500, all from the Technical Profession official hospitality in FY 2011.	ns Fee Fund, to increase expenditures for	0	500	500	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$20,500	\$20,500	0.0
Board of Veterinary Examiners	20 constant				
Delete \$2,860, all from the Veterinary Exame expenditure estimates in FY 2011 for salaries.		0	(2,860)	(2,860)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	(\$2,860)	(\$2,860)	0.0
Governmental Ethics Commission					
Delete \$28,588, all from the Governmental reduction in FY 2011.	Ethics Fee Fund, for an operating		(28,588)	(28,588)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	(\$28,588)	(\$28,588)	0.0
Legislative Coordinating Council					
Delete \$20, all from the State General Fund from FY 2010 that carried forward to FY 20		(20)	0	(20)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$20)	\$0	(\$20)	0.0
Legislature					
Delete \$283,050, all from the State General funding initially appropriated to the Legisla which reappropriated to the Legislature's but the state of the sta	tive Coordinating Council for FY 2010,	(283,050)	0	(283,050)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$283,050)	\$0	(\$283,050)	0.0

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Item	State General Fund	All Other Funds	All Funds	
Delete \$12,223, all from the State General Fund, to lapse a portion of funding unspent from FY 2010 that carried forward to FY 2011.	(12,223)	0	(12,223)	0.0
Agency Subtotal Revisor of Statutes	(\$12,223)	\$0	(\$12,223)	0.0
Delete \$2,425, all from the State General Fund, to lapse a portion of funding to from FY 2010 that carried forward to FY 2011.	inspent (2,425)	0	(2,425)	0.0
Agency Subtotal	(\$2,425)	\$0	(\$2,425)	0.0
 Division of Post Audit Delete \$4,413, all from the State General Fund, to lapse a portion of funding from FY 2010 that carried forward to FY 2011. 	unspent (4,413)	0	(4,413)	0.0
Agency Subtotal	(\$4,413)	\$0	(\$4,413)	0.0
Attorney General 1. Delete \$38,535, all from the State General Fund, in FY 2011, from two accours operating expenditures (\$1,801); and Internet Training Education for Kansas (\$36,734). This would lapse funding unspent from FY 2010 that carried forw FY 2011.	Kids	0	(38,535)	0.0
Agency Subtotal State Treasurer	(\$38,535)	\$0	(\$38,535)	0.0
Increase the expenditure limitation on the Kansas Postsecondary Education Sa Program Trust Fund to a no limit. This is an increase from the previous \$265, expenditure limit.		0	0	0.0
 Increase the expenditure limitation on the Kansas Postsecondary Education Pr Expense Fund to no limit. This is an increase from the previous \$346,043 expenditure limit. 	rogram 0	0	0	0.0
3. Appropriate the Learjet Bond Fund and the Siemens Bond Fund as no limit fu	ands. 0	0	0	0.0
Agency Subtotal Judicial Branch	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Appropriate a new SJI Grant Fund, in order to allow the agency to receive and dispense State Justice Institute Grants in FY 2011.	0	0	0	0.0
Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
 Kansas Corporation Commission Increase the aggregate expenditure limit by \$159,760 for the Public Service Regulation Fund, the Motor Carrier License Fees Fund, and the Conservation Fund, in the aggregate, for FY 2011. This provides \$100,000 to fund the Kans Electric Transmission Authority as well as a classified marketing plan for the 	sas	0	0	0.0
 Increase the expenditure limitation to the Compressed Air Energy Storage Fee and the ARRA State Electricity Regulators Assistance - Federal Fund to no lin FY 2011. 		0	0	0.0
 Redesignate the Base State Registration Clearing Fund as the Unified Carrier Registration Clearing Fund. 	0	0	0	0.0
Redesignate the Pipeline Damage Prevention Grant Program - Federal Fund a One Call - Federal Fund.	s the 0	0	0	0.0
Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
 Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board Delete \$26,641, all from the Utility Regulatory Fee Fund, in FY 2011 for concontracts to correct existing language that allowed CURB to carry forward all funds instead of unspent consulting funds only. 	unspent	(26,641)	(26,641)	0.0
Agency Subtotal	\$0	(\$26,641)	(\$26,641)	0.0
 Department of Administration Delete \$158,816, all from the State General Fund, for savings associated with debt service restructuring expenditures in FY 2011. 	reduced (158,816)	0	(158,816)	0.0

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A: m	State G	eneral Fund	All Other Funds	All Funds	
2. 53,840, all from the State General Fundebt service expenditures on the Statehouse Re		(53,840)	0	(53,840)	nunsia
0.0 4 701,25 0	Agency Subtotal	(\$212,656)	\$0	(\$212,656)	0.0
Court of Tax Appeals 1. Delete \$40,454, all from the State General Function in the agency's operations.	1, in FY 2011, for a 3.0 percent	(40,454)		(40,454)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$40,454)	\$0	(\$40,454)	0.0
Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission 1. Appropriate a new Illegal Gambling Enforcement	ent Fund, in order to allow the agency	Lymerovi man Tu O	the State Concent has	0	0.0
to receive funds received from enforcement of illegal gambling in FY 2011.	state and federal regulations against	d for an operation	lee Louishood Louis	3b m 31 Sb7 22 00	1.25
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Department of Commerce	A' C - P - I to increase the	0	125,000	125,000	0.0
 Add \$125,000 from the State Affordable Airfar appropriation from \$5,000,000 to \$5,125,000 f funding that was unspent in FY 2010 to FY 20 	or FY 2011. This would carry forward	0	123,000	123,000	10.0
 Delete \$625,000, all from the Economic Devel Kansas Economic Opportunity Initiatives Fund \$625,000 for FY 2011. The KEOIF is funded 	(KEOIF) from \$1,250,000 to	0	(625,000)	(625,000)	0.0
3. Delete a total of \$61,410, all from the Econom the Strong Military Bases Program Account, in unspent from FY 2010 that carried forward to	FY 2011. This would lapse funding		(61,410)	(61,410)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	(\$561,410)	(\$561,410)	0.0
 Kansas Inc. Delete \$88,756, all from the Economic Develo Operations Account, in FY 2011. This would of the agency using fee funds to supplant reduce 	lapse funding from FY 2011 as a result	0	(88,756)	(88,756)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	(\$88,756)	(\$88,756)	0.0
<u>Kansas Technology Enterprise Corp.</u>Delete \$371,426, all from the Economic Devel	onment Initiatives Fund in FY 2011	Yil mi bont o'd	(371,426)	(371,426)	0.0
1. Delete \$371,426, all from the Economic Devel The lapse includes \$300,000 for the Product D \$71,426 from the PIPELINE Program.	evelopment Financing Program and	of tim collunions	nga ULOS 1305 igol no bugasan	connection quality	
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	(\$371,426)	(\$371,426)	0.0
Commission on Veterans Affairs	0	25.066	0	25,866	0.0
 Add \$25,866, all from the State General Fund, services, \$2,972; and Veterans claim assistance These funds support the Veterans' Services pro Services Organization that assist Kansas vetera 	e program-service grants, \$22,894. gram, specifically grants to Veterans'	25,866	enita es incaectorios	23,800	0.0
Delete \$15,241, all from the State General Fur Administration account to reduce general oper	d, from the Operating Expenditures- ating expenditures.	(15,241)	0	(15,241)	0.0
 Delete \$26,050, all from the State General Fur Veteran Services account to reduce general op Services program. 	d, from the Operating Expenditures- erating expenditures in the Veterans'	(26,050)		(26,050)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$15,425)	\$0	(\$15,425)	0.0
Dept. of Health and Environment - Health	Cara Facilities Licensing Fee Fund as a	State Denetal Fun	65,948	65,948	0.0
 Appropriate the Maternity Centers and Child on no-limit fund in FY 2011. The fund was creat 2356, which created Lexie's Law and addresse requirements for child care facilities. Expenditud in FY 2011. 	ed in 2010 Senate Substitute for HB d supervision, licensing, and inspection			a field, amplies 2 %, a	
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$65,948	\$65,948	0.0
Dept. of Health and Environment - Environment	3163497	manual massa.	(5,000	65,000	0.0
 Appropriate the Healthy Watershed Initiative- allow the agency to expend a federal grant. Ex- from the grant fund in FY 2011. 	Federal Fund in FY 2011. This would expenditures of \$65,000 are anticipated	0	65,000	65,000	0.0

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V	'Item Sta	ate General Fund	All Other Funds	All Funds	
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$65,000	\$65,000	J.0
	Department on Aging				
1.	Add \$25,169, all from the State General Fund, for a Targeted Case Management-Fr Elderly caseload adjustment in FY 2011.	ail 25,169	0	25,169	0.0
2.	Add \$2,263,079, all from the State General Fund, to replace Home and Community Based Services Frail Elderly waiver funds removed due to a loss of federal America Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds and a federal Medicaid match rate change in FY 2011.	n	0	2,263,079	0.0
3.	Add \$10,142,156, all from the State General Fund, for a Nursing Facility consensus caseload adjustment in FY 2011.	10,142,156	0	10,142,156	0.0
4.	Delete \$28,642 from the State Licensure Fee Fund for an operations reduction in F ² 2011.	γ 0	(28,642)	(28,642)	0.0
5.	Appropriate the Nursing Facility Quality Care Fund for future utilization of the nursing facility provider assessment in FY 2011.	0	19,501,789	19,501,789	0.0
L	Agency Subtotal Tealth Policy Authority	\$12,430,404	\$19,473,147	\$31,903,551	0.0
	Add \$8.4 million, including \$30.5 million from the State General Fund, in FY 2011 for human services consensus caseloads.	30,526,618	(22,155,253)	8,371,365	0.0
2.	Delete $\$1.9$ million, from all funding sources, for operating expenditure reductions FY 2011.	in 0	(1,933,856)	(1,933,856)	0.0
3.	Appropriate, with a \$0 limitation, the Quality Care Fund, created in 2010 S Sub for Sub for Sub for HB 2320, the nursing facility provider assessment bill, in FY 2011.	· S 0	0	0	0.0
4.	Add language to adjust the amount within existing resources that can be expended salaries and wages from certain special revenue funds in FY 2011.	for 0	0	0	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$30,526,618	(\$24,089,109)	\$6,437,509	0.0
	ocial and Rehabilitation Services Add \$20.9 million, including \$11.8 million from the State General Fund, in FY 201 for human services consensus caseloads.	11,827,170	9,027,738	20,854,908	0.0
2.	Delete \$1,062,207, all from the Children's Initiatives Fund, in FY 2011 for the Earl Childhood Block Grant to lapse a FY 2010 reappropriation and to adjust for lower than anticipated tobacco revenue.	y 0	(1,062,207)	(1,062,207)	0.0
3.	Delete \$306, all from the Children's Initiatives Fund, in FY 2011 for Early Head St to lapse a FY 2010 reappropriation and to adjust for lower than anticipated tobacco revenue.		(306)	(306)	0.0
4.	Delete \$251,003, all from the Children's Initiatives Fund, in FY 2011 for Smart State to lapse a FY 2010 reappropriation and to adjust for lower than anticipated tobaccorevenue.		(251,003)	(251,003)	0.0
5.	Delete \$163, all from the Children's Initiatives Fund, in FY 2011 for Child Care Services to lapse 2010 reappropriation.	0	(163)	(163)	0.0
6.	Delete \$150,000, all from the Children's Initiatives Fund, in FY 2011 for Family Centered System of Care, to adjust for lower than anticipated tobacco revenue.	0	(150,000)	(150,000)	0.0
7.	Delete \$250,000, all from the Children's Initiatives Fund, in FY 2011 for the Children's Cabinet Accountability Fund, to adjust for lower than anticipated tobaccrevenue.	0	(250,000)	(250,000)	0.0
8.	Add \$2.1 million, including \$861,551 from the State General Fund, in FY 2011 for the Money Follows the Person program.	679,551	1,428,892	2,108,443	0.0
9.	Add \$8.9 million, all from the State General Fund, in FY 2011 to adjust for lower than anticipated federal match rates, in non caseload Medicaid programs.	8,934,688	0	8,934,688	0.0
10	Delete \$3.9 million, including \$2.0 million from the State General Fund, in FY 201 to decrease salaries and wages funding.	1 (1,968,928)	(1,931,072)	(3,900,000)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$19,472,481	\$6,811,879	\$26,284,360	0.0

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	Siale	eneral Fund	All Other Funds	All Funds	
Mental Health Facility Delete \$250,000, all from the State General Furwages shrinkage rate for the agency in FY 201		(250,000)	0	(250,000)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$250,000)	\$0	(\$250,000)	0.0
Osawatomie State Hospital Delete \$500,000, all from the State General Fu wages shrinkage rate for the agency in FY 201		(500,000)	0	(500,000)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$500,000)	\$0	(\$500,000)	0.0
Board of Regents Delete \$2,322,229, all from the State General F appropriations bill in FY 2011.	Yund, to correct an error in the 2010	(2,322,229)	0	(2,322,229)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$2,322,229)	\$0	(\$2,322,229)	0.0
University of Kansas Appropriate the Standardized Water Data Report 2011. Transfers of \$300,000, all from the Clean revenues to this fund in FY 2011.		0	300,000	300,000	. 0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000	0.0
Department of Education Delete \$85.9 million, all from the State Genera 2011. The Governor recommends utilizing \$8: (EduJobs) Funds to offset State General Fund of FY 2011. Overall, the State has received \$92.1 remaining \$6.4 million is to be distributed direct General State Aid formula.	5.9 million in federal Education Jobs expenditures for General State Aid in million in EduJobs funding. The	(85,948,820)		(85,948,820)	0.0
Delete \$183,370, all from the Children's Initiat program to adjust for a decrease in revenue in		0	(183,370)	(183,370)	0.0
Delete \$119,630, all from the Children's Initiat Program to adjust for a decrease in revenue in		0	(119,630)	(119,630)	0.0
Add language allowing school districts that los Attendant Care Services during the 2010-2011 loss based on a funding formula in FY 2011.	t \$300,000 or more in funding for	0	0	0	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$85,948,820)	(\$303,000)	(\$86,251,820)	0.0
Kansas Arts Commission Delete \$13,310, all from the State General Fun wages to the FY 2011 approved level.	d, in FY 2011 to return salaries and	(13,310)	0	(13,310)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$13,310)	\$0	(\$13,310)	0.0
School for the Deaf Delete \$393, all from the State General Fund, expenditures in FY 2011.	to lapse a reappropriation in operating	(393)	0	(393)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$393)	\$0	(\$393)	0.0
Department of Corrections Add \$472,709, all from the State General Funda \$475,000 increase for undermarket pay adjudecrease by lapsing unspent funds from FY 20	stments system-wide and a \$2,291	472,709	0	472,709	0.0
Delete \$3.5 million, all from the State General expenditures by \$3.5 million for the food serve provider (ARAMARK) included a one-time in Corrections for entering into a 10-year food se	ce contract. The food service contract centive payment to the Department of	(3,500,000)	3,500,000		0.0
Delete \$347,471, all from the Correctional Ins account for a decrease in the estimated revenu	titutions Building Fund, in FY 2011 to	0	(347,471)	(347,471)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$3,027,291)	\$3,152,529	\$125,238	0.0

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/ Ttem	State	General Fund	All Other Funds	All Funds	
	Agency Subtotal	(\$200)	\$0	(\$200)	0
Hutchinson Correct Delete \$500, all FY 2010.	ional Facility from the State General Fund, in FY 2011 to lapse unspent funds from	(500)	0	(500)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$500)	\$0	(\$500)	0.0
Lansing Corrections 1. Delete \$500, all FY 2010.	ul Facility from the State General Fund, in FY 2011 to lapse unspent funds from	(500)	0	(500)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$500)	\$0	(\$500)	0.0
Ellsworth Correction Delete \$442, all FY 2010.	nal Facility from the State General Fund, in FY 2011 to lapse unspent funds from	(442)	0	(442)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$442)	\$0	(\$442)	0.0
Norton Correctiona Delete \$991, all FY 2010.	Facility From the State General Fund, in FY 2011 to lapse unspent funds from	(991)	0	(991)	0.0
Towns II - Touris - Au	Agency Subtotal	(\$991)	\$0	(\$991)	0.0
Juvenile Justice Au 1. Delete \$3,336,31 estimate.	2,all from the State General Fund, for FY 2011 revised caseloads	(3,336,312)	0	(3,336,312)	0.0
	FY 2011, all from the State Institutions Building Fund, for debt al improvements at the Larned Juvenile Correctional Facility.	0	(2,411)	(2,411)	
	FY 2011, all from the State Institutions Building Fund, in the Raze e Correctional Facility Maintenance account.	0	(3,148)	(3,148)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$3,336,312)	(\$5,559)	(\$3,341,871)	0.0
Adjutant General Delete \$3,960, a from FY 2010.	1 from the State General Fund, in FY 2011 to lapse unspent funds	(3,960)	0	(3,960)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$3,960)	\$0	(\$3,960)	0.0
	I from the Fire Marshal Fee Fund, to reflect revised expenditure 2011 due to retirements in FY 2010.	0	(2,735)	(2,735)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	(\$2,735)	(\$2,735)	0.0
Kansas Parole Boa 1. Delete \$982, all FY 2010.	<u>d</u> from the State General Fund, in FY 2011 to lapse unspent funds from	(982)	0	(982)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	(\$982)	\$0	(\$982)	0.0
Operating Fund	I Services Board the expenditure limitation on the Emergency Medical Services of the Emergency Medical Services Board. The increase is to assist in the agency can pay grants to local EMS providers on time.	0	125,000	125,000	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$125,000	\$125,000	0.0
1. Delete \$100,759 recommended o \$507, is a techn	n on Peace Officers' Standards and Training (KCPOST) , all from the KCPOST Fund, in FY 2011. The Governor perating expenditure reductions totaling \$100,252. The remaining cal adjustment to reflect action taken last session reducing KPERS illity in FY 2011.	0	(100,759)	(100,759)	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	(\$100,759)	(\$100,759)	0.0
	culture enditure limitation, in FY 2011, of the Water Structures State of the Department of Agriculture from \$104,832 to no limit.	0	0	0	0.0

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the expenditure limitation, in FY 2011, of the Water Appropriation Certification Fund of the Department of Agriculture from \$553,868 to no lim	nit.	0	0	0	
Agency Subtotal	v tublici rosubo	. \$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Kansas Water Office Add \$464,630, all from the State Water Plan Fund, for Neosho River Basin is	ssues.	0	464,630	464,630	0.0
Agency Subtotal		\$0	\$464,630	\$464,630	0.0
Department of Wildlife and Parks				will be the state of the	
 Delete \$73,240, all from the State General Fund, in the Reimbursement for A Licenses Issued to Kansas Disabled Veterans account, based on reduced estin expenditures in FY 2011. 		(73,240)	0	(73,240)	0.0
Delete \$11,290, all from the State General Fund, in the Reimbursement for A Licenses Issued to National Guard Members account, based on reduced estimexpenditures in FY 2011.		(11,290)	0	(11,290)	0.0
Delete \$6,748, all from the State General Fund, in the Reimbursement for An Park Permits Issued to National Guard Members account, based on reduced e of expenditures in FY 2011.		(6,748)	0	(6,748)	0.0
Agency Subtotal	ontological	(\$91,278)	\$0	(\$91.278)	0.0
Office of Administrative Hearings Add language limiting expenditures from the Administrative Hearings Office for FY 2011 to \$100.	e Fund	0	0	0	0.0
Agency Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Home Inspectors Registration Board					
Delete \$18,950, all from the Home Inspectors Fee Fund, to reflect adjusted expenditure estimates in FY 2011. The decrease is attributable to the agency revised estimate of agency startup costs.	r's	o en la	(18,950)	(18,950)	0.0
Agency Subtotal	oard send wid Months soon	\$0	(\$18,950)	(\$18,950)	0.0
Undermarket Pay Delete \$1,316,263, all from the State General Fund, in FY 2011 to lapse fund was not utilized for undermarket pay adjustments.	ding that	(1,316,263)	0	(1,316,263)	0.0
Delete \$16.4 million, including \$8.5 million from the State General Fund, in to lapse funding which had previously been appropriated for undermarket paradjustments.		(8,534,972)	(7,830,090)	(16,365,062)	0.0
Delete \$16.4 million, including \$8.5 million the State General Fund, in FY 2 lapse funding which had previously been appropriated for undermarket pay adjustments.	013 to	(8,534,972)	(7,830,090)	(16,365,062)	0.0
Agency Subtotal	(\$18,386,207)	(\$15,660,180)	(\$34,046,387)	0.0
TOTAL- EXPENDITURES	(\$52	2,063,113)	(\$10,383,928)	(\$62,447,041)	0.
REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS					
Securities Commissioner					
Transfer \$800,000 from the Investor Education Fund to the State General Fu 2011, in addition to any other transfer from the Investor Education Fund to the General Fund.		800,000	(800,000)	0	0.0
Agency Subtotal	or sauthors to	\$800,000	(\$800,000)	\$0	0.
Secretary of State Add language authorizing the transfer of \$82,010 from the agency's special r Help America Vote Act -Electronic Voter Information System (HAVA ELVI to the agency's special revenue Democracy Fund to provide matching funds federal Help America Vote Act funds.	IS) Fund	0	0	0	0.
Agency Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	0.
Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS)					
Transfer \$4,350,937 from the Kansas Endowment for Youth Fund to the Chi Initiatives Fund for FY 2011.	ildren's	0	0	0	0.0
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	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	J.0
Department of Revenue					0.0
 Transfer \$124,265 from the Kansas Qualified I to the Economic Development Initiatives Fund 		0	0	0	0.0
Kansas Lottery	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
I. Increase the approved transfer from the Kansas Gaming Revenue Fund by \$400,000, from \$70 adjust for reduced revenue from Kansas Vetera	.4 million to \$70.8 million, in order to	0	0	0	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission					
 Transfer \$5,000 from the State Racing Fund to Fund in order to defray costs associated with il 		0	0	0	0.0
 Transfer all monies remaining in the Racing Re Racing Fund in order to simplify fund account gaming facilities in Kansas in FY 2011. 		0	0	0	0.0
 Transfer all monies remaining in the Racing In Racing Fund in order to simplify fund account gaming facilities in Kansas in FY 2011. 	vestigative Expense Fund to the State ing after the closing of all parimutuel	0	0	0	
 Transfer all monies remaining in the Horse Fai Racing Fund in order to simplify fund account gaming facilities in Kansas in FY 2011. 		0	0	0	0.0
 Transfer all monies remaining in the Racing A Racing Fund in order to simplify fund account gaming facilities in Kansas in FY 2011. 		0	0	0	0.0
 Transfer all monies and present and future liab Kansas Horses Breeding Development Fund ar order to simplify fund accounting after the clos in Kansas in FY 2011. 	nd abolish the Horse Purse Fund in	0	0	0	0.0
7. Transfer all monies and present and future liab Examination Fund to the Expanded Lottery Ac Gaming Machine Examination Fund in order t information technology expenditures by the ga	et Regulation Fund and abolish the o allow for direct reimbursement of	0	0	0	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
State Fire Marshal					
 Transfer \$52,509 from the Hazardous Material Fund in FY 2011. Expenditures for the Hazard 2010 than expected. 		0	0	0	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards	s and Training (KCPOST)				
 Transfer \$500,000, all from the KCPOST Function. After the transfer, the ending balance in FY 2011. 		500,000	(500,000)	0	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$500,000	(\$500,000)	\$0	0.0
Department of Agriculture 1. Transfer \$3,081 from the State Highway Fund the Water Structures State Highway Fund of the undermarket increases in FY 2011.		0	0	0	0.0
	Agency Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

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Sam Brownback, Governor

<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO:

House Committee on Appropriations

FROM:

Landon Fulmer, Director of Policy

DATE:

January 24, 2011

SUBJECT:

House Bill 2014

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Governor's freeze bill. House Bill 2014 enacts important revisions Governor Brownback proposes for the FY 2011 budget. He has requested quick action on this bill so school districts and Medicaid agencies can plan their current year budgets, so we appreciate the timing of this hearing today.

On a cash basis, the State General Fund began FY 2011 with \$876. This starting balance would have been even less without steps taken at the end of FY 2010 to delay \$132 million in aid to schools until after the start of the new fiscal year. These steps had to be taken to manage the loss of \$100 million in tax revenues that were in the spring revenue estimate, but did not materialize. It is the Governor's plan that the steps taken with this bill will allow us to avoid delaying additional payments across fiscal years. I will highlight the most significant changes in the bill for you.

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Education Jobs—K-12 State Aid and Medicaid

In August 2010, Congress enacted legislation authorizing the Education Jobs Fund. \$92 million was awarded to Kansas for the 2010-2011 school year. In the same legislation, Congress extended a higher level of federal Medicaid assistance. This federal legislation is crucial to balancing the current year budget without further program reductions.

As is allowed by the federal law and was suggested by Governor Parkinson last fall, Governor Brownback now proposes using \$86 million of the federal Education Jobs funding to free State General Fund resources needed to finance higher health and human service caseload entitlement programs that will cost us \$98 million more than we had originally budgeted for FY 2011. Without the use of the Education Jobs funding, the FY 2011 State General Fund budget would have to be cut further. Exchanging the federal funding for SGF support will have no net effect to the schools, while we meet our commitment to those receiving Medicaid and other health care services.

Other Current Year Revisions

Also contained in the bill are numerous adjustments to the current year budget. For example, we discovered that both the Economic Development Initiatives Fund and the Children's Initiatives Fund were overspent in FY 2011. This budget bill will make the necessary reductions to bring these state funds into balance.

The Affordable Airfare program in the Department of Commerce needs an expenditure limitation increase to permit expenditure of funds authorized for FY 2010 but which were not committed in time. New funds need to be appropriated for the Department on Aging and KHPA to implement the new nursing facility provider tax and for KDHE to administer the child care facility legislation, both enacted by the 2010 Legislature.

A change in how the state seeks reimbursement for special education students eligible for Medicaid resulted in a catastrophic reduction in reimbursements to the Lake Mary Center in the

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Paola School District disproportionate to all the other districts. Language in this bill will address this issue on a one-time basis to restore \$175,000 of the \$475,000 cut. The district has committed to overcome this change over the long-term.

Funding appropriated but not needed for undermarket adjustments is lapsed in the bill, as is funding already appropriated for FY 2012 and FY 2013. While Governor Brownback wants to see the size of the workforce trimmed, and those who are employed by the state properly compensated, the budget must first be brought into structural balance. As was announced last Thursday, the Governor, Speaker of the House and Senate President are committed to tackling the three largest cost drivers in the budget and the effect of this work will translate to better services and ultimately a lower tax burden for the citizens of our state. Much work will have to be done before we reach that goal, but the appropriation bill before you is one of the first steps on that path to structural balance.

Ultimately, the adjustments made by this bill will leave us with a projected ending balance of \$35.7 million, necessary for us to meet our obligations in the FY 2012 budget and to hedge against the further loss of SGF revenues over the rest of this fiscal year. We in the Brownback Administration look forward to working with you on our state's budget issues over the coming weeks.

State General Fund Outlook (Dollars in Millions)								
		FY 2009 Actual		FY 2010 Actual		FY 2011 Gov. Revised		FY 2011 Gov. Rec.
Beginning Balance	\$	526.6	\$	49.6	\$	(27.1)	\$	35.7
Revenues		5,587.4		5,191.3	_	5,789.9		6,044.8
Total Available	\$	6,113.9	\$	5,240.9	\$	5,762.8	\$	6,080.5
Expenditures								
Expenditures		6,064.4		5,238.2		5,727.1		6,072.9
Contingent Encumbrances				29.8				
Total Expenditures	\$	6,064.4	\$	5,268.0	\$	5,727.1	\$	6,072.9
Ending Balance As Percent of Expenditures	\$	49.6 0.8 %	\$	(27.1) (0.5 %)	\$	35.7 0.6 %	\$	7.5 0.1 %

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Sam Brownback, Governor

Sherry C. Diel, Director

To:

Senate Appropriations Committee Sherry C. Diel, Executive Director

From: Date:

January 24, 2011

Subject:

SB 16—Opposition to Section 7 Proposing a 10% Shrinkage Rate and Reduction

from Kansas Real Estate Commission's FY 2011 Budget

Chairperson McGinn and members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee, thank you for the opportunity to share the Commission's concern regarding the impact the proposed application of a 10% shrinkage and budget reduction will have on the Commission's ability to adequately regulate the industry and protect the public.

What Happened to the Commission's Cash Balance

The Commission understands and appreciates the difficult position the Legislature is facing this year due to the continuing tough economy and the elimination of federal stimulus monies for State General Fund programs. Even though the Commission is 100% fee funded, its budget has likewise suffered significantly from the sharp decline in the real estate market. The Commission has been hit by the "perfect storm" caused by the following: (1) since FY 2005, over \$700,000 has been swept from the Commission's fee fund; (2) licensee counts have decreased by approximately 3,000 since FY 2007; and (3) the number of requests for hearings and severity of the cases have more than doubled since the housing market began to decline. The proposed budget only hampers the Commission's ability to realign staffing to address the over one-year backlog of disciplinary orders waiting to be drafted and hearing requests waiting to go through the hearing process. Possibly most important to the Committee members, the proposed shrinkage and budget reduction will not benefit the State General Fund budget because the Commission is not a SGF agency and the 10% shrinkage will remain in the Commission's fee fund.

The Budget Realities

The Commission respectfully takes exception to the statement in this year's Governor's Budget Report that states that the Commission needs to be more aware of its fee fund balance and reduce its expenses to a level that the receipts support operations without depleting the agency's fee fund balance. In FY 2005, \$508,438 was swept from the Commission's fee fund. In FY 2009, another \$195,671 of Kansas Savings Incentive Plan (KSIP) monies that the Commission had saved for updating its licensure system was swept from the fee fund and transferred to the State General Fund when the KSIP program was terminated. Ironically, the Division of Budget had also recommended that another \$550,000 be swept from a combination of the Commission's recovery fund and fee fund in FY 2009, but fortunately that measure was defeated late in the Session.

In addition to the fee fund sweeps, the Commission transfers 20% of fees received from licensees up to a maximum of \$200,000 per year for "indirect costs" for accounting, legal and other centralized services. However, the Commission is also direct billed for those services by the Department of Administration. In FY 2009, the direct bills received from the Department of

Administration exceeded \$50,000. Consequently, in FY 2009, approximately \$450,000 was transferred to the State General Fund.

In many agencies when licensee counts are drastically reduced, the workload of staff is also reduced and a shrinkage rate would make sense. However, the opposite is true in the Commission's case. The number and severity of the complaints increase and the licensees are less receptive of disciplinary action. In addition, because a tough economy can bring out the worst in people, there are more long-term suspensions and revocations in a tough economy. When the real estate market steadily declines like has occurred over the past three years, licensees often times will not accept disciplinary action taken against their license and have a tendency to request a hearing regardless of whether a fine is imposed or a more severe penalty is imposed. The strain of the increased workload on the staff is enormous and this situation has created a substantial backlog of agency orders waiting to be drafted and hearings to be held. However, due to the complexity of the workload involved and the skills needed to address the backlog, there are two positions in Enforcement—a Special Investigator I and an Office Assistant—which are purposely kept vacant and the funding otherwise used to hire or contract with temporary paralegals because these two FTE positions are not properly classified to handle the complexity of the work that is required. However, an attorney is needed to truly address the backlog that exists and the backlog will continue to grow until the proper staffing mix is obtained. The backlog for complaint orders that do not involve a danger to the public currently exceeds one year and the backlog of audit orders is currently around 8-9 months. It takes on average 15 months to have the hearing process initiated once a hearing is requested due to the number of hearing requests in the pipeline. Application of a shrinkage rate and reduction of the budget will only cause the backlog to increase. This hampers the Commission's ability to fulfill its mission to protect the public and it's not fair to licensees who find they must defend themselves after a substantial period of time has passed after the complaint was received.

The Commission is not going to spend money it doesn't have. It has not spent money foolishly. If the Commission's proposals for revenue enhancements are not approved, the Commission will out of necessity have to adjust what services it provides and possibly what bills it pays. If revenue enhancements are approved, the Commission should then be allowed to manage its staffing resources in the manner it deems appropriate to best address the backlogs because the Commission's expenditures have no impact on the SGF.

The Commission's Proposed Solution for FY 2011—FY 2013

Because the Commission's fee fund balance would be depleted by FY 2013 unless revenue was enhanced, a carefully crafted proposed budget consisting of a fund transfer, revenue enhancement and expenditure enhancement for staffing reorganization was proposed by the Commission for FY 2011—FY 2013 to provide increased revenues and provide the Commission with the tools to manage its backlog.

For FY 2011, the Commission proposed transferring \$200,000 from the Commission's recovery fund (claims fund) to the fee fund. The recovery fund was initially funded by a transfer from the fee fund derived from fees paid by licensees. By statute, licensees are assessed only if the recovery fund balance falls below \$100,000. Approximately \$250,000 would remain in the recovery fund after the proposed transfer. The recovery fund balance appears to be sufficient because claims are statutorily limited to a maximum payout of \$15,000 per claim.

The Commission proposed a revenue enhancement by requesting an increase of the statutory cap on original and renewal fees for salespersons and brokers. Renewal fees have remained at the statutory cap since 1998 and the statutory cap has not been raised since

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1993. The Commission proposed requesting a statutory increase on original and renewal license fees for brokers from \$150 to \$250 and would set the broker license fees by regulation at \$175. The Commission proposed requesting a statutory increase on original and renewal license fees for salespersons from \$100 to \$150 and would set the salesperson license fees by regulation at \$120.

The Executive Director has been trying to handle the work of both the director of the agency and an attorney for almost three years. To address the backlog properly, a staff attorney and paralegal are necessary, but the funding available from the two vacant Enforcement FTEs that have purposely not been filled because they are not classified properly to handle the complexity of the work is not sufficient to cover the salaries of an attorney and paralegal. The attorney would draft orders and function as disciplinary counsel for the Commission. The paralegal would could draft simple orders, draft correspondence and assist with litigation. The Commission proposed upgrading a vacant Special Investigator I position to an unclassified Attorney position. The Commission proposed upgrading a vacant Administrative Assistant position to a classified Legal Assistant position. The Commission believes the proposed reorganization of Enforcement staff to include an Attorney and a Legal Assistant would accomplish three purposes: (1) reduce the backlog of agency orders; (2) ultimately reduce attorney fees; and (3) enable the Executive Director to balance staff's workload.

Summary of the Commission's Request for FY 2011

Despite the Commission's request for adequate funding to address the problem of the growing backlog, the proposed budget recommends a 10% shrinkage rate (and in FY 2012 eliminates 2 FTEs). The purpose of the shrinkage is to reduce expenditures and increase the fee fund balance. The Commission is capable of managing its expenditures without the necessity of a shrinkage and budget reduction. The Division of Budget recommendation deletes the funding the Commission is using from the two improperly classified Enforcement FTEs to hire or contract for temporary workers to assist with the backlog. This will only make a very bad situation worse. The Division of Budget's recommendation will require the Commission to either determine it can no longer enforce most types of violations—a message the Commission does not want to send to licensees when the Commission's purpose is to protect the public—or the Commission will soon be forced to determine its priorities and will accordingly reexamine what bills it can and cannot afford to pay. Either scenario is not the best choice when the Commission has offered other viable alternatives—and the Commission's budget does not impact the SGF budget.

The Commission believes that auditing brokerages, investigating complaints, issuing reasonably timely orders, and being able to take necessary disciplinary action are core services of the agency that are necessary to help ensure the integrity of the industry and to protect the public. The Commission respectfully requests that the following revenue and expenditure proposals be approved for FY 2011—none of which will have an impact on SGF:

- (1) transfer \$200,000 from the Commission's recovery fund to the Commission's fee fund;
- (2) reverse the recommendation to apply a 10% shrinkage rate and reinstate funding in the amount of \$82,164; and
- (3) approve an increase of the statutory cap for original and renewal broker's license fees from \$150 to \$250 (\$175 by regulation) and an increase for original and renewal salesperson's license fees from \$100 to \$150 (\$120 by regulation.)

Thank you for your consideration of this matter of substantial importance to the Commission.

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House Appropriations Committee

Testimony on HB 2014

January 24, 2011

Presented by:
Mike Mathes, Superintendent, Seaman USD 345
on behalf of
United School Administrators of Kansas and
The Kansas School Superintendents Association

My name is Mike Mathes and I am the superintendent of schools from Seaman USD 345. The Seaman school district is a suburban district located in northern Topeka and Shawnee County. We have 3,730 students enrolled in pre-K though 12th grade. The Seaman public schools have long been a source of pride for our community.

First, thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today. I am here today to speak to HB 2014, the FY 2011 spending bill. Specifically, I would like to speak to you about the provisions for K-12 public education. It is unfortunate that the economic downturn and subsequent budget cuts have impacted us in such a way that this bill is necessary; however, we find ourselves in uncharted territory as we attempt to address the budget.

The 2011 Legislative Session promises to be challenging as we continue to deal with this unprecedented economic downturn. As those charged with leading our state through the budget and revenue crisis, I know you will be called upon to make some of the most weighty decisions of your legislative service.

Special Education Funding Maintenance of Effort

Administrators were pleased to see special education funding will be increased from \$367.5 million in the current fiscal years to \$427.7 million in FY 2012. Unfortunately, the current year's funding is about \$16.7 million short of meeting the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) maintenance of effort requirement. The Department of Education has advised administrators that if the maintenance of effort requirement is not met, the state will be financially penalized in FY 2013. This penalty is expected to be 16-percent or more of our federal funding.

We are imploring the legislature to fund the FY 2011 \$16.7 million shortfall in special education to ensure that our students with special learning needs are not impacted by future penalties.

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JOBS funding

Last year, Congress passed the JOBS bill, which appropriated \$92 million for Kansas in K-12 education funds for Kansas. HB 2014, however, does not direct the JOBS funding to K-12 education spending. Instead, it uses \$86 million of the federal Education Jobs Funding to replace \$86 million in State General Fund (SGF).

HB 2014 also does not fund the \$50 million supplemental requested for FY 2011 -- to cover the loss in property valuations, higher enrollment, and the increase in at-risk students.

The cumulative effective of these actions is that the Base State Aid Per Pupil (BSAPP) is reduced from \$4,012 to \$3,937 or \$75 per pupil.

How the Seaman School District is impacted

The Seaman school district has done an excellent job managing the district's finances and ensuring that students have access to programs and services they need. Unfortunately, in the absence of a multi-year budget and the uncertainty of our economic circumstances, advanced planning is extraordinarily challenging. The Seaman school district has already eliminated and/or reduced programs and personnel, but we anticipate additional reductions may be necessary.

The FY 2011 budget proposal reduces the Base State Aid Per Pupil (BSAPP) from \$4,012 to \$3,937 or \$75. For the Seaman school district, that reduction will result in a \$338,000 cut, to be made before the end of this year.

The investment our state has made in schools has been critical to the success we have seen in student achievement and in preparing students for entry into the workforce. The Seaman school district has done an excellent job managing the district's finances and ensuring that each student receives a quality education. In response to the funding reductions enacted this past year, the Seaman school district:

- Used all of the money saved through the consolidation of four elementary schools to two elementary schools
- Transferred money saved by consolidating two middle schools into the contingency fund to pay bills and payroll when state aid payments were delayed
- Eliminated 31.5 positions (including 3 administrative, 5.5 teachers, 23 classified)
- Reduced the special education and administrative staff development budgets

The Seaman school district remains committed to operating a quality, efficient and effective school district. Over the past 3 to 4 years, we have reduced operating expenses by nearly \$1.9 million each year. As a percentage of our cuts thus far 32% have been at the administrative level, 34% teachers, and 44% at the classified level.

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Our local option budget and cash reserves have allowed us to maintain programs, instructional support and make payroll on time. Additional reductions to K-12 education funding may result in:

- Deeper cuts to instructional, professional development and library budgets
- · Eliminating field trips
- Eliminating many middle school extracurricular activities
- Eliminating some sports, including non-varsity sports, at the high school level
- Eliminating almost all non-special education paraprofessionals
- Eliminating 10 to 20 teaching positions
- Increasing class size
- · Eliminating after school programs
- Reducing the number of elective courses offered
- Increasing the local option mill levy

As you see, any further cuts will significantly impact our students, our workforce and our community. Kansans have been called upon to compromise and work together for the common good of the State. As education and community leaders, we remain committed to working with you during this legislative session.

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from the Kansas Real Estate Commission's Real Estate Fee Fund in FY 2011

Chairman Rhoades and members of the House Appropriations Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit written comments on behalf of the Kansas Association of REALTORS® in support of the budget testimony provided by the Kansas Real Estate Commission. Through the comments expressed herein, it is our hope to provide additional legal and public policy context to the discussion on this issue.

KAR is the state's largest professional trade association, representing nearly 8,000 members involved in both residential and commercial real estate and advocating on behalf of the state's 700,000 homeowners for over 90 years. REALTORS® serve an important role in the state's economy and are dedicated to working with our elected officials to create better communities by supporting economic development, a high quality of life, sustainable communities and providing affordable housing opportunities that embrace the environmental qualities we value, while protecting the rights of private property owners.

As a starting point, we are extremely concerned about the extremely difficult budget challenges facing the Kansas Legislature in FY 2011 and FY 2012. Just like other citizens of this state, REALTORS® have family members who are enrolled in K-12 public education, attend public universities, depend on various disability and social service programs administered by the state and take advantage many other vitally important state services that have been and will continue to be cut by the Kansas Legislature.

Fee Fund Sweeps Have Severely Inhibited the Fiscal Soundness of the Real Estate Fee Fund and the Commission's Ability to Adequately Regulate the Real Estate Industry

However, we are also very concerned about the continuing devastating impact that unconstitutional fee fund sweeps by the Kansas Legislature are having on the Kansas Real Estate Commission's budget and the Commission's ability to adequately regulate the real estate industry during this difficult economic environment. If the Kansas Legislature continues to decrease the Commission's budget during the 2011 Legislative Session, it will have an extremely detrimental impact on the Commission's ability to properly regulate the real estate industry and protect consumers.

In the past six years, the Kansas Legislature has swept more than \$\frac{\$700,000}{000}\$ from the real estate fee fund to pay for other programs in the state budget funded through the state general fund. The Kansas Legislature approved a \$\frac{\$508,438}{000}\$ sweep from the real estate fee fund in FY 2005 and a \$\frac{\$195,671}{000}\$ sweep from the real estate fee fund in FY 2009. As you can see, the cumulative fee fund sweeps enacted by the Kansas Legislature nearly equal almost a year's worth of expenditures from the real estate fee fund.

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Although Division of Budget Determined that the Real Estate Fee Fund Could Afford Fee Fund Sweeps in Previous Fiscal Years, They Have Now Determined that the Fund Has Dangerously Low Cash Balance

During the debate on the FY 2009 and FY 2010 budgets, the Division of Budget proposed to sweep an additional \$633,095 from the real estate fee fund and the real estate recovery fund. Thankfully, we were successful in working with several other industry trade associations targeted for fee fund sweeps to pass an amendment that defeated the Division of Budget's proposals.

If we had not been successful, the Commission's budget would have been even more severely impacted by the fee fund sweeps. However, I am very confused as to how the Division of Budget could conclude that the Commission could withstand an additional \$633,095 in fee fund sweeps in 2009 and 2010 and the very next year conclude that the Commission now cannot support current operations and must shrink its budget by 10% to preserve the cash balance in the real estate fee fund.

At the least, this represents a gross misunderstanding and at worst a clear disregard of the particular fiscal challenges facing the Commission as they attempt to deal with the fallout from one of the worst real estate markets in recent history. The association strongly supports the Commission's efforts to reverse the decline of the real estate fee fund that was caused by the Division of Budget's recommendations to sweep the real estate fee fund and restore the Commission's funds to proper health and stability.

KAR Strongly Supports the Commission's Plan to Restore a Healthy Balance in the Real Estate Fee Fund through a Transfer from the Real Estate Recovery Fund and a Fee Increase on Real Estate Licensees

In order to address the funding shortage in the real estate fee fund, the Commission has adopted a recovery plan that would stabilize the fund over several years with a \$200,000 transfer from the real estate recovery fund and a small increase in the licensing fees paid by real estate salespersons and brokers. In the context of the challenges currently facing the Commission, the association believes they are acting in utmost good faith to address the challenges and provide for the proper regulation of the industry.

We believe that the current balance in the real estate recovery fund is more than sufficient to withstand the \$200,000 transfer to the real estate fee fund. When the real estate recovery fund was established many years ago, it was capitalized with a transfer from the real estate fee fund. In our opinion, the proposed transfer of funds from the recovery fund back to the real estate fee fund is simply a repayment of that initial transfer that will allow the Commission to stay afloat during these tough times.

In recent years, the amount of claims that have been paid to consumers from the real estate recovery fund have been minimal to nearly non-existent. As an increasing number of real estate licensees obtain errors and omissions insurance to cover liability for consumer complaints, the association believes that the number of claims from the fund will only continue to decrease over time.

Furthermore, the association reluctantly supports the Commission's request to increase licensing fees by a small amount for real estate salespersons and brokers to help stabilize the balance of the real estate fee fund. If the state had not chosen to sweep our fee fund we would not be in this position, but we believe that this is the only suitable course of action in this situation to help ensure that the Commission is not forced to dramatically reduce its operations at a time when they are desperately needed.

Since the statutory cap on the licensing fees for real estate salespersons and brokers has not been increased since at least 1988, we believe that the Commission has been very responsible stewards of our members' licensing fees and will use the fee increase responsibly to stabilize the real estate fee fund. Accordingly, we reluctantly support the Commission's fee increase request.

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If the Kansas Legislature does not reverse the recommendations of the Division of Budget, we believe that the Commission will be required to drastically scale back its operations in auditing real estate brokerages, investigating consumer complaints and processing requests from real estate licensees. At a time when the Commission is needed more than ever to help guide the industry through a protracted downturn, we believe that a failure to adopt the Commission's recovery plan will only make the current situation worse.

Commission Contributes a Significant Amount of Funding Each Year to the State General Fund, Which Further Compounds the Current Budgetary Limitations in the Real Estate Fee Fund

Under K.S.A. 58-3074(a), the Commission is already required to transfer 20% of all real estate licensing fees, charges and penalties collected by the Commission to the state general fund to pay for unrelated programs in the state budget. In FY 2009, the Commission was forced to transfer \$199,725.41 in licensing fees, charges and penalties paid by real estate licensees to the state general fund to satisfy the obligations imposed by this statutory provision.

K.S.A. 75-3170a(a) provides that the purpose of this transfer is "to reimburse the state general fund for accounting, auditing, budgeting, legal, payroll, personnel and purchasing services, and any and all other state governmental services, which are performed on behalf of the state agency involved by other state agencies which receive appropriations from the state general fund to provide such services" [Emphasis added].

However, the Commission also paid various fees and charges totaling \$50,233.79 in the aggregate to the Kansas Department of Administration during FY 2009 for the following services ostensibly provided to the Commission (even though these services fall under the list of services that are supposed to be paid for by the 20% transfer under **K.S.A.** 58-3170a):

- (1) Annual central mail assessment (for maintenance of mail facility and equipment): \$5,627.10;
- (2) non-state building lease administrative fee (fee charged to administer the lease): \$142.89;
- (3) monumental building surcharge (for maintenance of the Capitol, Judicial Center and Cedar Crest mansion): \$11,050.16;
- (4) surety bond: \$13.50;
- (5) data services (for internet and router connectivity): \$3,381.00;
- (6) central mail (actual mail costs): \$14,061.73;
- (7) telecommunications (for voice switching service, long distance and directory): \$4,759.51;
- (8) annual FMS (cost of state's new accounting system): \$1,961.94;
- (9) enterprise application (based on the number of spending warrants issued): \$1,518.22; and
- (10) miscellaneous data processing (email system and computer services): \$7,717.74.

As a result, the Kansas Real Estate Commission transferred a grand total of \$445,630.20 from the real estate fee fund to the state general fund in FY 2009. Combined with the \$508,438 sweep from the real estate fee fund to the state general fund in FY 2005, you can see that the Kansas Real Estate Commission's budget has been severely and negatively affected by the past actions of the Kansas Legislature in sweeping fee funds.

Not surprisingly, the Division of Budget initially proposed further fee fund sweeps of \$39,758 in FY 2010 and \$99,634 in FY 2011. Although the Governor overturned this recommendation, we believe it is very likely this proposal will again come up during the budget process during the 2010 Legislative Session.

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<u>Fee Fund Sweeps are Unconstitutional Since They are an Illegitimate Use of the Police Power Authority to</u> Generate General Tax Revenue in Violation of Article 11, Section 1 of the Kansas Constitution

Fundamentally, the state government has the inherent power called the "police power" to regulate various businesses and industries for the protection of its citizens. While the term "police power" is difficult to define precisely, it basically "embraces the state's power to preserve and to promote the general welfare and it is concerned with whatever affects the peace, security, safety, morals, health and general welfare of the community." 16A Am. Jur. 2d Constitutional Law § 313 (June 2002) (citations omitted).

In regulating the real estate industry, the Kansas Legislature has chosen to exercise its police power to place certain requirements and restrictions on those individuals acting as real estate salespersons and brokers. In doing so, the Kansas Legislature promotes the general welfare of the public through a highly regulated real estate industry overseen by the Kansas Real Estate Commission.

While the police power provides the state with broad authority to regulate a particular business or industry, there is a definite constitutional distinction between a state's police power and its power to levy taxes and other revenue mechanisms to defray general state budget expenditures. Under long-established precedent, the Kansas Supreme Court has explicitly recognized a clear distinction between the Kansas Legislature's authority to exercise its police power and the ability to enact revenue raising measures.

At the outset, it is clear that under its police power the state may reimburse itself for the costs of otherwise valid regulation and supervision by charging the necessary expenses to the businesses or persons regulated. A statute, however, is void if it shows on its face that some part of the exaction is to be used for a purpose other than the legitimate one of supervision and regulation or if more than adequate remuneration is secured. *Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Co. v. Fadely*, 183 Kan. 803, 806-07 (1958).

In Executive Aircraft v. City of Newton, 252 Kan. 421 (1993), the Kansas Supreme Court held that a fuel flowage "regulatory fee" assessed by a city and county was an illegal tax under the Kansas Constitution. In this decision, the Court addressed the distinction between a fee and a tax.

Thus, a tax is a forced contribution to raise revenue for the maintenance of governmental services offered to the general public. In contrast, a fee is paid in exchange for a special service, benefit, or privilege not automatically conferred upon the general public. A fee is not a revenue measure, but a means of compensating the government for the cost of offering and regulating the special service, benefit, or privilege. *Id.* at 427.

After a full analysis of the case law on this issue, it is possible to extract a basic rule of law regarding this issue. If an assessment, charge or fee paid by a regulated business or individual grossly exceeds the cost of regulating that business or individual and there is no reasonable relationship between the actual costs involved and the amount of the fee, the portion of that assessment, charge or fee that exceeds the actual costs involved in regulating that business or individual is an unconstitutional use of the state's police power authority as a revenue raising mechanism or tax.

Conclusion

For all the foregoing reasons, we would urge the members of the House Appropriations Committee to delete the language in Section 7 on Page 2 of **HB 2014**. Once again, thank you for the opportunity to provide comments and I would be happy to respond to any questions from the committee members at the appropriate time.

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