MINUTES OF THE SENATE REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 12:30 P.M. on March 19, 2012, in Room 159-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

Committee staff present:

Craig Callahan, Kansas Legislative Research Department Reed Holwegner, Kansas Legislative Research Department Jason Long, Office of the Revisor of Statutes Linda Reed, Committee Assistant

The Chairman turned the Committee's attention to **SB 455-State legislative redistricting**; **Senate districts** for the purpose of Committee discussion.

Senator Kelsey questioned the procedure of putting this House map into this bill. The Chairperson stated that the plan, would be to finalize <u>SB 455</u> in whatever form its going to appear as the Senate plan. The Chairman stated that it was his intention to work <u>HB 2606-State legislative redistricting; House districts</u>, which is the bill that contains the House plan, and to consider putting <u>SB 455</u> into that house bill so that both <u>HB 2606</u> and <u>SB 455</u> would be the same bill.

Senator Vratil requested the staff to distribute copies of the map designated as Ad Astra (<u>Attachment 1</u>) for the purpose of the review and discussion by the Committee.

Senator Vratil moved, Senator Kelsey seconded, that **SB** 455 be amended by deleting the current provisions in the bill and inserting language which would reflect the map designated as Ad Astra. The motion was adopted.

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Senator Kelsey stated he supported adding the Ad Astra map to <u>HB 2606</u>, but that he supports the map which will be proposed by Senator Abrams at a later date.

Committee members questioned time limits and deadlines for amendments. Senator Vratil stated that the Rules of Senate Guidelines need to be observed.

<u>Senator Vratil moved, Senator Brungardt seconded, to amend HB 2606 by adding the provisions of SB.</u> 455, as amended by the Committee, and that HB 2606 be passed, as amended. The motion was adopted.

Senator Haley voted no.

Meeting adjourned at 1:25 P.M.