

MINUTES OF THE SENATE ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Senator Janice Hardenburger at 1:30 p.m. on February 22, 2000, in Room 529-S of the Capitol.

- All members were present except: Senator Petty
- Committee staff present: Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research Department  
Mike Heim, Legislative Research Department  
Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes  
Graceanna Wood, Committee Secretary
- Conferees appearing before the committee: Ramon Murguia, Attorney/Lobbyist for Kansas City Area Transportation Authority  
Murray Nolte, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners KCATA
- Others attending: See attached list

Chairman Hardenburger opened the hearing on **SB 642 concerning the Kansas City area transportation authority and repealing the existing section**. She introduced Mr. Ramon Murguia, Attorney/Lobbyist for Kansas City Area Transportation Authority. (KCATA)

Ramon Murguia, presented testimony in favor of **SB 642**. However, he did advise the Committee of a correction to the current language of the bill. The provision indicates a commissioner appointed to serve an unexpired term of more than 2 ½ years may be appointed only to one additional consecutive four-year term. He advised this should read more than 2 years, not 2 ½ years. The purpose of this is that a commissioner appointed to complete a term who will serve more than half of an unexpired term would serve only one additional complete term of four years. (Attachment #1)

Murray Nolte, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, KCATA, asked that **SB 642** be approved in order to set a limit of two terms for the KCATA Commissioners. (Attachment #2)

Seeing there was no opposition to the bill, Chairman Hardenburger closed the hearing on **SB 642**.

Senator Becker moved that on Line 19 of the bill be deleted by ½ , seconded by Senator Steineger. Motion carried.

Senator Becker moved that **SB 642** be moved out favorably as amended, seconded by Senator Steineger. Motion carried.

Senator Becker moved that the minutes of February 14, 15, 16 and 17, be approved as written, seconded by Senator Steineger. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for February 22, 2000.

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