MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Ways and Means recommends SB 444 be amended on page 5, in line 24, by striking "calendar" and inserting "fiscal"; in line 29, by striking "calendar" and inserting "fiscal";

On page 7, by striking all in lines 4 and 5 and inserting "(B) employs at least 20% of its employees who are individuals with disabilities and reside in Kansas;"; in line 6, by striking "70%" and inserting "75%"; by striking all in lines 15 through 30 and inserting:

"(2) "individuals with disabilities" or "individual with a disability" means any individual who:

(A) Is certified by the Kansas department for aging and disability services as having a physical or mental impairment which constitutes a substantial barrier to employment;

(B) works a minimum number of hours per week for a certified business necessary to qualify for health insurance coverage offered pursuant to subsection (g)(1); and

(C)(i) is receiving services, has received services or is eligible to receive services under a home and community based services program, as defined by K.S.A. 39-7,100, and amendments thereto;

(ii) is employed by a charitable organization domiciled in the state of Kansas and exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, as amended; or

(iii) is an individual with a severe and persistent mental illness, as determined by a clinical or functional assessment approved by the Kansas department for aging and disability services;";
And by renumbering paragraphs accordingly;

On page 8, in line 7, by striking "of social and"; in line 8, by striking "rehabilitation" and inserting "for aging and disability"; in line 10, by striking "January 1, 2014" and inserting "January 13, 2014"; in line 12, by striking "of social and rehabilitation" and inserting "for aging and disability"; in line 17, by striking "calendar" and inserting "fiscal"; in line 19, by striking "calendar" and inserting "fiscal";

Also on page 8, following line 19, by inserting the following:

"(3) the number of contracts awarded pursuant to subsection (b) to each certified business during the previous fiscal year;"; in line 20, by striking "or" and inserting a comma; in line 21, after "to" by inserting "or not reinstated to"; in line 22, by striking "calendar" and inserting "fiscal"; also in line 22, by striking "full-time"; in line 23, by striking "and" and inserting the following:

"(5) the number of individuals employed by each certified business during the previous fiscal year; and

(6) the number of individuals with disabilities employed by each certified business during the previous fiscal year.";

Also on page 8, by striking all in lines 24 through 39; by striking all in line 43;

And by renumbering paragraphs accordingly;

On page 9, by striking all in line 1; in line 9, by striking all after "expended"; in line 10, by striking "rehabilitation services, or its fiscal agent"; in line 14, by striking "of social and rehabilitation" and inserting "for aging and disability"; in line 24, by striking "department of social and rehabilitation" and inserting "Kansas department for aging and disability"; in line 26, by striking "full-time";

And by renumbering paragraphs accordingly; and the bill be passed as amended.

_____________________________Chairperson