

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Garry Boston at 1:30 p.m. on February 15, 2001 in Room 210 Memorial Hall

All members were present except: Representative Geraldine Flaharty, Excused
Representative Brenda Landwehr, Excused

Committee staff present: Dr. Bill Wolff, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Norman Furse, Revisor of Statute's Office
June Evans, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending: See Attached Sheet

The Chairperson asked Representative Showalter to give an update on Representative Flaharty's condition and stated a get well card would be passed for signature for Rep Flaharty.

Testimony was distributed by Jolene Grabill, a proponent to **HB 2154** that had a hearing February 14 (Attachment 1).

Testimony was distributed by Ann Spies, Alzheimer's Association, a proponent to **HB 2229** that had a hearing on February 12 (Attachment 2).

The Chairperson opened the hearing on **HB 2457 - Licensure of Physician Assistants**.

Norman Furse, Revisor of Statute's Office, gave a briefing on **HB 2457**, stating this was clean-up, repealing Supp. 65-1626b and 65-2836a and amended into 65-1626 and 65-1635a.

Douglas E. Smith, Executive Director, Kansas Academy of Physician Assistants, provided written testimony in support of **HB 2457** and requested another technical change to remove the "s" on page 6, line 2, page 9; lines 39 and 40; and page 13, line 35 (Attachment 3).

The Chairperson stated we don't ordinarily work a bill the day of the hearing but due to time restraints this will be an exception, since it is technical in nature, if the committee wants to work it and asked the committee's pleasure.

Representative Kirk moved and Representative Morrison seconded to accept the amendment and remove the "s" from "physician's" as requested. The motion carried

Representative Storm moved and Representative Lightner seconded to move **HB 2457** out favorably as amended. The motion carried.

The Chairperson stated a balloon has been provided by the Department of Corrections on **HB 2127** that had a hearing February 1 (Attachment 4). KDHE and the Department of Corrections have gotten together and agreed on the balloon.

Tim Madden, Department of Corrections, reviewed the balloon.

Representative Morrison moved and Representative Storm seconded to accept the amendment provided by the Department of Corrections. The motion carried.

Representative Long moved and Representative DeCastro seconded to move **HB 2127** out favorably as

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amended. The motion carried.

The Chairperson asked the committee's wishes on **HB 2059**.

Ron Hein, Legislative Counsel, National Kidney Foundation of Kansas and Western/Missouri furnished a balloon clarifying administration of the program (Attachment 5).

Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes, briefed the committee on the balloon stating it clarifies the role of the medical center and makes it clear that the program is going to be administered with moneys available.

Representative Showalter moved and Representative Welshimer seconded to adopt the balloon on **HB 2059** provided by Mr. Hein. The motion carried.

Representative Welshimer moved and Representative DeCastro seconded to move **HB 2059** out favorably as amended. The motion carried.

The Chairperson asked what the committee's wishes were on **HB 2015**. KDHE and Washburn University have gotten together on this and agreed on amendment.

An amendment was distributed that said "state institution" means any residential facility or hospital that is operated and maintained by a state agency as defined in K.S.A. 75-3701; or, (ii) a summer instructional camp operated for not more than five weeks by a postsecondary educational institution defined in K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 74-3201b and amendments thereto which provides instruction to children, all of whom are 10 years of age and older, and which is accredited by an agency or organization acceptable to the Secretary of health and environment.

Representative Long moved and Representative Morrison seconded to adopt amendment that Washburn/KDHE had approved.

Representative Kirk questioned if this would cover Washburn who originally brought the bill.

Representative Morrison stated Washburn wanted the date changed to the Register from the statute book.

The Chairperson stated that "state institution" takes care of the fact that Washburn University does not have to be included by name.

Ken Hackler, attorney for Washburn University, stated they received this language late this morning from KDHE and Washburn would be covered by definition included in post secondary institutions which will, as soon as **SB 8** passes, include all state education institutions, regent schools, technical and vocational schools, and Washburn University. If this definition of state institution is adopted can take out proposed amendment that is in existing bill.

It was brought up that Washburn requested the date be changed to "after published in the Kansas register" rather than statute book.

Representative Lightner had some questions on the bill.

Representative DeCastro asked if this would not exempt private schools like Kansas Newman etc?

This bill does not talk to private schools so there is no change.

There were questions and the Chairperson said would pursue more answers and come back to **HB 2015** next week.

The Chairperson asked what the Committee's pleasure was on **HB 2154**.

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Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes, briefed the committee on the amendment (Attachment 6). KDHE did not respond to fax of amendment.

Representative Long moved and Representative Showalter seconded to accept balloon. The motion carried.

Representative Morrison moved and Representative Lightner seconded to move **HB 2154** out as amended and let Representative Bethell carry the bill on the floor.

Representative Kirk moved and Representative Morrison seconded a Substitute motion to strike all references to “private contractor” wherever it appears.

Representative Kirk withdrew her Substitute Motion.

Representative Morrison and Representative Lightner withdrew their motion to move out **HB 2154**.

Representative Kirk moved and Representative Morrison seconded to strike “private contractor” on the basis we believe a private contractor could not fulfill the obligations set out in the bill, removing lines 34-41 on page 2 and page 3 line 4, “or from an approved private contractor”. The motion carried.

Representatives DeCastro and Patterson wished to be recorded as voting NO.

Representative Long moved and Representative Showalter seconded to move **HB 2154** out favorably as amended. The motion carried.

The Chairperson asked staff to brief the committee on the balloon to **HB 2313**.

Representative Long moved and Representative Showalter seconded to adopt the balloon on **HB 2313**.

Representative Long moved and Representative Merrick seconded to pass **HB 2313** out favorably as amended. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m. and the next meeting will be February 19.