REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Commerce, Labor and Economic Development** recommends **HB 2373** be amended on page 1, in line 34, by striking all after the first "fireworks"; in line 35, by striking "seasonal" and inserting "fireworks";

On page 2, in line 10, by striking "Seasonal" and inserting "Fireworks"; in line 12, by striking all after "use"; in line 13, by striking all before the period and inserting "at any time during the calendar year"; in line 18, by striking all after "(j)"; by striking all in lines 19 through 22; in line 23, by striking "(k)"; following line 26, by inserting:

"Sec. 2. K.S.A. 31-503 is hereby amended to read as follows: 31-503. (a) Any person who intends to sell, offer for sale, possess with intent to sell, any consumer fireworks, display fireworks or articles pyrotechnic or discharge, use, display fireworks or articles pyrotechnic shall first obtain the appropriate license from the state fire marshal. This shall not include seasonal <u>fireworks</u> retailers.

- (b) The types of license shall be as follows:
- (1) Manufacturer;
- (2) hobbyist manufacturer;
- (3) distributor;
- (4) display fireworks operator; and
- (5) proximate pyrotechnic operator.
- (c) Before a license holder may operate, such license holder must satisfy the

requirements of this act and regulations adopted by the state fire marshal.

(d) The license holder shall be at least 21 years of age upon applying for a license.

(e) Licenses shall not be transferable.

(f) The state fire marshal shall not charge or collect fees for licensure. The licenses shall be valid for the following period of time:

(1) A manufacturer license shall be valid for a period of one year. A holder of a manufacturer license is not required to have any additional licenses in order to manufacture and sell any fireworks defined by this act.

(2) A hobbyist manufacturer license shall be valid for a period of four years.

(3) A distributor license shall be valid for a period of one year.

(4) A display fireworks operator license shall be valid for a period of four years.

(5) A proximate pyrotechnics operator license shall be valid for a period of four years.

(g) A permit to conduct a fireworks display shall be obtained by the sponsor or operator of a fireworks display from and approved by the city or county where the fireworks display is to be discharged.

(h) No fee shall be charged for a license or permit under this section for any person who is an officer or employee of the state or any political or taxing subdivision of the state when that person is acting on behalf of the state or political or taxing subdivision.";

Also on page 2, in line 27, by striking "is" and inserting "and 31-503 are";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 2, after "by" by inserting "a"; also in line 2 by striking "retailers" and inserting "retailer to be the entire calendar year; replacing the term "seasonal

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retailer" with "fireworks retailer""; in line 3, after "31-502" by inserting "and 31-503"; also in line 3, by striking "section" and inserting "sections"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Chairperson