REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development recommends SB 96 be amended by substituting with a new bill to be designated as "House Substitute for House Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 96," as follows:

"House Substitute for House Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 96

By Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

"AN ACT concerning child care; relating to licensure of child care facilities, day care homes and child care centers; establishing license capacity and staff-to-child ratios; reducing license fees and training requirements; creating a process for day care facility licensees to apply for a temporary waiver of certain statutory requirements; authorizing the secretary of health and environment to develop and operate pilot programs to increase child care facility availability and capacity; placing the children's cabinet in the department of commerce; establishing the Kansas office of early childhood; transferring administration of day care licensing, parent education program and child care subsidy to the Kansas office of early childhood; defining youth out-of-school time programs; applying certain fire codes for day care facilities; increasing the tax credit amount for household and dependent care expenses; amending K.S.A. 38-1901, 38-2103, 65-503, 65-503, as amended by section 51 of this act, 65-504, 65-505, 65-508, 65-508, as amended by section 55 of this act, 65-512, 65-527, 65-531, 72-4162, 72-4163, 72-4164, 72-4166 and 79-32,111c and K.S.A. 2023 Supp. 48-3406 and 65-516 and repealing the existing sections.";

And the substitute bill be passed.

 Chairperson