

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Melvin Neufeld at 1:30 p.m. on March 2, 2009, in Room 143-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Broderick Henderson- excused
Representative Mike Peterson- excused
Representative Lisa Benlon

Committee staff present:

Mike Heim, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Jason Long, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Nikki Feuerborn, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Ed Klumpp, Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police

Others attending:

See attached list.

Attachments:

Recommendations from Subcommittee report on **SB 19 - Concealed weapons; U.S. attorneys, county district attorneys and assistants** (Attachment 1)
Proposed Balloon Amendment A (Attachment 2)
Proposed Balloon Amendment B (Attachment 3)
Proposed Balloon Amendment C (Attachment 4)
Ed Klumpp, Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police (Attachment 5)

Recommendations and discussion of Subcommittee report on **SB 19 - Concealed weapons; U.S. attorneys, county and district attorneys and assistants**

Representative Knox, Chairman of the Subcommittee on **SB 19** reported the findings and recommendations of the members as noted in Attachment 1. This bill would authorize certain prosecutors to carry concealed firearms or exempt certain prosecutors from the crime of discharge of a firearm while engaged in their duties.

Representative Knox presented three suggested balloon amendments as noted in Attachment 2 (A), Attachment 3 (B), and Attachment 4 (C).

Representative Knox moved for the adoption of Balloon A (Attachment 2). Motion was seconded by Representative Carlson. Motion carried.

Representative Knox moved to adopt Balloon B (Attachment 3). Motion was seconded by Representative Carlson.

During Committee discussion, members appeared to be confused as to the exact intent of the proposed amendments and also who would have the authority over the courtroom, the chief judge or the county commissioners if they were in disagreement. Chairman Neufeld suspended action on the bill with the motion on the table. The bill will be revisited at a date to be announced.

Hearing on SB 53 - Licensure of cereal malt beverage retailers

Ed Klumpp, representing the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, explained that the bill would amend the Liquor Control Act by allowing a county or a city discretion on whether to issue a retail liquor license to any person, partnership, or corporation if any member or stockholder of such entities owns or has owned a 25 percent aggregate of stock of such corporation and has had their retailer's license revoked, or has been convicted of a violation of the drinking establishment act or the cereal malt beverage laws of the State (Attachment 5). In his testimony, Mr. Klumpp explained their objections to changing "shall" to "may" in that the current "shall" language has been the only reason some cities have upheld some licensing sanctions for serious violations of cereal malt beverage licensees.

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There were no other proponents nor opponents. Chairman Neufeld closed the hearing on **SB 53**.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 4, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.