

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve Brunk at 9:00 am on Wednesday, January 21, 2015, 346-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Valdenia Winn – Excused

Committee staff present:

Kyle Hamilton, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Natalie Nelson, Legislative Research Department

Joanna Wochner, Legislative Research Department

Stephen Bainum, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant

Jason Long, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

No conferees present

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Guest speaker:

Chairman Brunk opened the meeting at 9:00 am. There were no bill introductions. Chairman Brunk called upon Patsy Congrove, Charitable Gaming Administrator, Kansas Department of Revenue, to give the committee a briefing on raffles.

Patsy gave the history of raffles for 2013 and 2014. She indicated that the public had voted on legalizing raffles. She said that many people think that raffles are now legal, but they are not. The 2015 legislative session will need to approve statutes for nonprofits to follow and the Kansas Department of Revenue to administer. She indicated that raffles may only be conducted by those nonprofits that meet standard requirements. They must be a nonprofit organization and be exempt from the payment of federal income taxes as provided by section 501 (c) (3) or section 501 (d) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, as amended, or determined to be organized and operated as a bona fide nonprofit organization by the administrator. There were several other issues that needed to be decided, such as an appropriate age limit on selling raffle tickets, the number of times per year that a licensee could conduct a raffle or should there be a threshold on gross receipts from a raffle that would require a license. Patsy stood for question from the representatives. ([Attachment 1](#))

Chairman Brunk indicated that he would appoint a sub-committee to put some parameters on the bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 pm.