

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jan Pauls at 9:00 am on Tuesday, January 26, 2016, 346-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Broderick Henderson – Excused
Representative Pete DeGraaf – Excused

Committee staff present:

Dana Rooney, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant
Joanna Dolan, Legislative Research Department
Jason Long, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Kyle Hamilton, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Natalie Nelson, Legislative Research Department

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Representative Blake Carpenter, Kansas House of Representatives, 81st District
Kati Thul, Parent and 4-H Club Leader
Larry Richardson, Founder of Derby BB Gun Club
Emma Klausmeyer, Sedgwick County Shooter
Susie Klausmeyer, County 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator
Mike Murray, Kansas Rifle Association
Mark Tallman, Assoc. Executive Director for Advocacy, Kansas Association of School Boards
Representative Adam Lusker, Sr., Kansas House of Representatives, 2nd District
Christopher Tymeson, Chief Legal Counsel, Kansas Dept. of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism
Travis Couture-Lovelady, State Liaison, National Rifle Association

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Chairman Pauls opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Bill introductions

Chairman Pauls called for any bill introductions from committee members and recognized Ranking Minority Member, Representative Annie Tietze.

Representative Tietze introduced a bill designating an Indigenous Peoples Day in place of Columbus Day. Without objection that bill was introduced.

Representative Susan Concannon introduced a bill concerning a bridge to a healthy Kansas program. Without objection that bill was introduced.

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Chairman Pauls called for bill introductions from the audience. Chairman Pauls recognized Representative Willie Dove.

Representative Dove introduced: 1) a bill relating to requests for law enforcement assistance from foreign jurisdictions. 2) a bill concerning property in the counties relating to unsafe structures. 3) a bill concerning agricultural enactment of an industrial hemp research act. Without objection the three bills were introduced.

Hearing on: HB2468 — Authorizing possession of air guns on school property.

Chairman Pauls opened the hearing on **HB2468** and recognized Jason Long, Senior Assistant Revisor, who gave an overview of the bill. ([Attachment 1](#)) Questions were asked by Ranking Minority Member, Annie Tietze; Representatives Steven Becker, Kristey Williams, Stephanie Clayton, Joseph Scapa, Ben Scott, Dick Jones, and Valdenia Winn.

Chairman Pauls recognized Representative Blake Carpenter, Kansas House of Representatives, 81st District, who gave testimony supporting this bill. ([Attachment 2](#)) Questions were asked by Representatives Steven Becker, Dick Jones, and Valdenia Winn.

Chairman Pauls recognized Kati Thul, parent and 4-H Club Leader, who supports this bill. ([Attachment 3](#)) Questions were asked by Representatives John Bradford, Brett Hildabrand, and Nancy Lusk.

Chairman Pauls recognized Larry Richardson, founder of the Derby BB Gun Club, a proponent of this bill. ([Attachment 4](#)) Questions were asked by Representatives Stephanie Clayton and Chuck Weber.

Chairman Pauls recognized three additional conferees who testified in support of **HB2468**.

Emma Klausmeyer, Sedgwick County Shooter ([Attachment 5](#))

Susie Klausmeyer, County 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator ([Attachment 6](#))

Mike Murray, Kansas State Rifle Association ([Attachment 7](#))

There were no questions directed to these conferees.

Written only testimony in support of **HB2468** was provided by the following:

Travis Couture-Lovelady, State Liaison, National Rifle Association ([Attachment 8](#))

Matthew Joyce, parent--USD 260 ([Attachment 9](#))

Caden Thul, student ([Attachment 10](#))

Sarah Kolla, teacher and adult certified instructor ([Attachment 11](#))

Mary Klausmeyer, 4-H member ([Attachment 12](#))

Abigail Klausmeyer, shooter and 4-H member. ([Attachment 13](#))

Chairman Pauls recognized Mark Tallman, Associate Executive Director for Advocacy, Kansas Association of School Boards, who opposed **HB2468**. ([Attachment 14](#)) There were no questions.

Unless specifically noted, the individual remarks recorded herein have not been transcribed verbatim. Individual remarks as reported herein have not been submitted to the individuals appearing before the committee for editing or corrections.

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There was no written only testimony in opposition to **HB2468**.

Neutrals--None. There was no neutral written only testimony provided for **HB2468**.

Chairman Pauls closed the hearing on **HB2468**.

Hearing on: HCR5008 — Right of public to hunt, fish and trap.

Chairman Pauls opened the hearing on **HCR5008** and recognized Jason Long, Senior Assistant Revisor, who gave an overview of the bill. ([Attachment 15](#)) There were no questions.

Chairman Pauls recognized Representative Adam Lusker, Kansas House of Representatives, 2nd District, proponent, who supported the bill. ([Attachment 16](#)) There were no questions.

Chairman Pauls recognized Christopher Tymeson, Chief Legal Counsel, Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, proponent, who urged passage of this bill. ([Attachment 17](#)) Because of time constraints, he will return to tomorrow's meeting to answer questions.

Chairman Pauls recognized Travis Couture-Lovelady, State Liaison, National Rifle Association of America, proponent, who expressed support for this bill. ([Attachment 18](#)) There were no questions.

Chairman Pauls will continue the hearing on **HCR5008** on Wednesday, January 27, 2016.

The next meeting of the House Federal and State Affairs Committee will be Wednesday, January 27, 2016.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m.