

## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Daniel Hawkins at 1:30pm on Tuesday, January 27, 2015, 546-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative John Wilson – Excused

Representative John Edmonds – Excused

Committee staff present:

Scott Abbott, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Jennifer Ouellette, Legislative Research Department

Patrick Orr, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant

Erica Haas, Legislative Research Department

Norm Furse, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Lea Taylor, KDADS

Colin Thomasset, Associate Director Community Mental Health Centers of Kansas

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

### **Possible bill introductions**

Representative Hill requested a bill on medicaid synchronization.

### **Hearing on: HB2042 — Membership on the governor's behavioral health services planning council.**

Chairman Hawkins opened the hearing on **HB2042**.

Norm Furse, staff revisor, provided an overview of the the bill. If enacted, this bill would increase the membership of the governor's health services planning council from thirty-three to thirty-four members. The additional member will be a representative from the governor's tribal council.

Chairman Hawkins gave the floor to proponents of this bill.

Lea Taylor, Assistant Secretary of Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services, testified that this council was established to comply with federal law and enabling the state to continue receiving federal funding for this area. In addition, the council is charged with monitoring and treating substance abuse and providing education concerning this subject. ([Attachment 1](#))

Colin Thomasset submitted written testimony and did not provide further information. ([Attachment 2](#))

No other proponents testified.

Chairman Hawkins closed the floor to proponents.

No one testified in opposition to this bill.

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No one testified as neutral towards this bill.

Chairman Hawkins closed the hearing on **HB2042**.

**Hearing on: HB2043 — Secretary for aging and disability services, criminal history record information.**

Chairman Hawkins opened the floor on **HB2043**.

Norm Furse, staff revisor, explained the bill as it relates relates to criminal history records information. The bill allows agencies who do licensing to be able to perform Criminal Records History Checks (CRHC) which is current law. It provides KDADS and DCF the statutory authority to have record checks on those people who care for vulnerable individuals.

Chairman Hawkins opened the floor for proponents.

Lea Taylor testified that KDADS has relied upon this statute since September 2014 because the Federal Bureau of Investigation audited background checks and wanted to see statutory authority. This spells out the statutory authority. ([Attachment 3](#))

No other individuals testified concerning this bill.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50pm.