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MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Transportation

The meeting was called to order by Rep. Rex Crowell at  
Chairperson

1:35 a.m./p.m. on March 22, 1983 in room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Reps. Justice and Erne, excused.

Committee staff present:

Fred Carman, Revisor of Statutes  
Hank Avila, Legislative Research  
Pam Somerville, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Senator Werts  
Ed DeSoignie, Kansas Department of Transportation  
Mike Beam, Kansas Livestock Association

Others Present:

Arden Dierdorff, Kansas Motor Carriers Association  
Tom Whitaker, Kansas Motor Carriers Association  
Leroy Jones, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers  
Vicki Timmons, Wellsville

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Crowell. The Chairman turned the floor over to Senator Werts who briefed the committee on SB 130. Senator Werts explained SB 130 would amend K.S.A. 8-1902 (e) by removing the 50-mile restriction on the transportation of cylindrically shaped bales of hay. It would also amend K.S.A. 8-1902 (f) by restricting the movement of combine headers, loaded side-by-side, to daylight hours only.

Chairman Crowell opened the meeting to committee questions. Rep. Campbell asked Sen. Werts if it was legal to haul the combine headers side-by-side. Sen. Werts replied it was with a special permit.

The next conferee was Ed DeSoignie, Kansas Department of Transportation, who presented testimony before the committee in support of SB 130. Mr. DeSoignie explained that while the department supported SB 130 and the language restricting combine transports to daylight hours only was desirable for highway safety, they did have some concerns in regard to safety in the transportation of large round bales. (Attachment 1).

Mike Beam, Kansas Livestock Association, appeared before the committee in support of SB 130. Mr. Beam was particularly supportive of the 50-mile radius restriction being lifted.

The Chairman said the committee should be prepared at the next meeting for possible discussion and action on HB 2554, SCR 1616, SB 159 and SB 288. The Chairman also informed the committee a revised agenda would be forthcoming.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

  
Rex Crowell, Chairman

GUEST LIST

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NAME

ORGANIZATION

Ed DeSoignie

Transportation

Arden Wierdoff

K M C A

Tom Whitaker

KANSAS MOTOR CARRIERS ASSOCIATION

Leroy Jones

B. L. E.

Vicki Simmons

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# KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

STATE OFFICE BUILDING—TOPEKA, KANSAS 66612



JOHN B. KEMP, Secretary of Transportation

JOHN CARLIN, Governor

MEMORANDUM TO: House Committee on Transportation  
FROM: Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT)  
DATE: March 22, 1983  
REGARDING: Senate Bill 130

## I. Summary of Bill.

Senate Bill 130 amends K.S.A. 8-1902(e) by removing the 50 mile restriction on the transport of cylindrical shaped bales of hay. It further amends 8-1902 by amending paragraph (f) to restrict the movement of combine headers, loaded side-by-side, to daylight hours only.

## II. Comments.

Senate Bill 130 is similar to Senate Bill 576 which was approved by the Legislature during the last session. The bill was vetoed by Governor Carlin on May 13, 1982 following the addition of House amendments to the bill allowing annual trip permits.

## III. Fiscal Impact.

There would be no fiscal impact on the KDOT over and above the Governor's budget recommendation.

## IV. Agency Position.

The KDOT supports Senate Bill 130. Deletion of language restricting the transport of hay bales may not have a significant impact on KDOT; but, we have some concerns of a safety nature. Addition of the proposed language restricting combine transports to daylight hours only is desirable for highway safety.

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