

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS, BENEFITS & INVESTMENTS.

The meeting was called to order by REPRESENTATIVE VERN WILLIAMS, VICE-CHAIRMAN at
Chairperson

9:00 a.m. a.m./p.m. on Tuesday, February 19, 1985 in room 527-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Mayfield - Excused
Representative Louis - Excused
Committee staff present:

Conferees appearing before the committee:

HB 2182 - Marshall Crowther, Executive Secretary, KPERS.
HB 2219 - David Reavis, Past President of the Fraternal Order of Police and
Lawrence Police Officer.
Marshall Crowther, Executive Secretary, KPERS.
Representative Clinton Acheson.
Representative Jessie Branson.
Jerry Marlatt, Kansas State Council of Firefighters.

The meeting was called to order by Representative Williams,
Vice-Chairman, to discuss House Bill 2182 and House Bill 2219.

HOUSE BILL 2182 - HEARING

Marshall Crowther, appearing on behalf of the Governor's Office on
House Bill 2182, indicated it establishes a minimum-maximum lump-sum
optional life insurance death benefit of \$100,000 instead of the
current \$50,000 for active state employees in KPERS retirement system.
There is no fiscal implication since employees pay the full cost from
payroll deductions. Mr. Crowther added that no additional staff will
be needed to implement raising the death benefit.

HOUSE BILL 2219 - HEARING

Representative Acheson said he was contacted by one of his
constituents regarding the problem of members' spouses of Kansas Police
and Firemen's retirement system not receiving benefits upon remarrying
after the member is deceased.

Representative Branson recommended changing language on Page 2,
Lines 56-63, to allow deceased KP&F members' spouses to receive benefits
whether or not spouses remarry. She added that the fiscal note for

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HOUSE BILL 2219 - HEARING (con't)

the state would be \$30,000 and \$240,000 for local subdivisions.

Speaking on behalf of the Fraternal Order of Police and as a Lawrence police officer, David Reavis indicated support of House Bill 2219.

In answer to a question from Representative Sand, Marshall Crowther said Representative Acheson's constituent could eventually receive two benefits if the bill is amended, since she is the widow of a fireman and currently married to a policeman.

Representing the Kansas State Council of Firefighters, Jerry Marlatt, said the Council supports House Bill 2219.

The Vice-Chairman announced that Representative Branson will construct an amendment to allow spouses to receive benefits whether or not they remarry, for a future meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

David L. Brown
Gene Williams

Please PRINT Name, Address, the organization you represent, and the Number of the Bill in which you are interested. Thank you.

Tuesday, Feb. 19

NAME ADDRESS ORGANIZATION BILL NO.

Jack Hawn	Topoka	KPEKs	
Marshall Coombs	Lawrence	"	
HAROLD PITTS	Topoka	TARTA	
Gary Marshall	Topoka	KPEKs	
Samuel Remick	Lawrence	Fraternal Order of Police	2219