

MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Transportation

The meeting was called to order by Representative Rex Crowell at  
Chairperson

1:30 ~~am~~/p.m. on February 26, 1985 in room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representatives Adam, Campbell, Erne, Freeman, Justice, Lacey and Patrick, all excused.

Committee staff present:

Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department  
Fred Carman, Office of the Revisor of Statutes  
Donna Mulligan, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Representative Jessie Branson  
Mr. Gerald Christenson, Kansas Department of Education  
Representative Max Moomaw

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Crowell and the first order of business was a hearing on HB-2370 concerning the age for obtaining drivers' licenses and requirements for a drivers' training course.

Representative Jessie Branson, sponsor of the bill, briefed the Committee on its contents. She said the intent of the bill is that no one under the age of 18 shall be issued a drivers license without attending a drivers' training course.

Chairman Crowell asked if under the bill, a person could have a regular license at the age of 16 if he had attended drivers' training. Representative Branson said that was her intent.

Chairman Crowell asked if under the bill a person 14 years of age could obtain a learner's permit without attending drivers' training. Representative Branson said her intent was that he could not.

Mr. Gerald Christenson, Kansas Department of Education, was recognized and said the minimum age for driver education is 14.

Representative Ott asked what age a person could enroll in drivers' education as part of the school curriculum. Mr. Christenson said that by statute the student has to be enrolled in ninth grade and be 14 years of age.

Chairman Crowell asked if there is a requirement for a 14 year old to have had drivers' education in order to obtain a restricted license. Mr. Christenson said there is no such requirement.

The hearing on HB-2370 was concluded.

The next order of business was a hearing on HB-2344 concerning towing vehicles of husbandry in combination.

Representative Moomaw, sponsor of the bill, briefed the Committee on its contents and urged passage of HB-2344. Representative Moomaw said the Highway Patrol supports the bill. (See Attachment 1)

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

  
Rex Crowell, Chairman



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Testimony on HB 2344 before Chairman Crowell and the House  
Transportation Committee

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

The purpose of HB 2344 is to exempt three vehicle combinations that include slow moving vehicles that are implements of husbandry from the language in lines 52 and 53 pertaining to brakes. Example-- a tractor towing a chisel towing a pickup is in violation of the law requiring brakes. Legally, the chisel must have brakes to conform to existing law.

I have talked with the Department of Transportation and the Highway Patrol. They have no problem with this bill.

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Attach. 1