

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE

The meeting was called to order by Senator Roy M. Ehrlich at \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

10:00 a.m. ~~pm~~ on February 11, 1985 in room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present:

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Emalene Correll, Legislative Research  
Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes Office  
Others Present: See Attached List

Emalene Correll, Legislative Research, presented a briefing on SB-121, enacting mandatory health insurance risk sharing plan. Ms. Correll said the bill was very comprehensive and that the House insurance committee had a much simpler bill. Attention was called to line 27 "Eligible person" and how the phrase would be interpreted as compared to Section 3 (a) and whether or not the person is legally responsible for the payment of medical expenses. It was suggested the committee might want to question conferees about terms including self-insurers, line 38; also line 133 concerning assessments. Ms. Correll suggested questioning conferees as to whether or not lines 143-147 "deficits" would act to raise rates for other insurers. Line 215 (15) was questioned as to whether coverage was intended generally and again may raise costs for other insurers as it would cover people who either cannot obtain health insurance or who have obtained it only at a very high cost.

Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes Office, briefed the committee on SB-125, licensure of midwives and establishing a regulatory council. Mr. Furse pointed out that Nurse-Midwives are already licensed and this bill, Section 2 (c) and (d) refers to a person other than a physician or nurse-midwife. Section 3 sets out the scope of practice.

Emalene Correll, Legislative Research, briefed the committee on SB-130 concerning the depriving of nutrition and medical treatment of certain handicapped children. Ms. Correll stated at the outset that it was not clear to her that SB-130 was necessary under the 1984 Child Abuse Amendment. The new Federal requirement is in addition to the Federal Child Abuse and Prevention Act and is one more condition to the grants to the states and at present, Kansas is not losing any monies pertaining to these grants.

Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes Office, presented briefing on SB-131. Line 180, "forever" was questioned due to the provisions of subsection (d) dealing with first convictions, or Line 187, where an individual is out of state and found guilty and it is the person's first conviction under the law of any other state concerning welfare fraud.

Emalene Correll briefed the committee on SB-142 dealing with requiring life saving personnel and equipment for private pools. Definitions do not seem to be totally clear in some instances. The sponsor of the bill also asked to introduce this bill by stating that the constituent who requested the bill had a son die in a whirlpool in one of the private type of spas and fitness centers.

The meeting adjourned.

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