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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE

The meeting was called to order by Marvin L. Littlejohn at
Chairperson

1:30 /a.m./p.m. on January 21, 1986 in room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Rep. Runnels, Rep. Flottman, both excused.

Committee staff present:

Emalene Correll, Research
Bill Wolff, Research
Norman Furse, Revisor
Sue Hill, Secretary to Committee

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Visitor's register, (see Attachment No. 1.)

Chairman Littlejohn present this date after being a hospital patient, and he stated he was MOST happy to be back to work.

Meeting called to order when a quorum was present. Chair called attention to carry-over bills from the 1985 session, and comments will be forthcoming.

HB 2045 - Itemized Bills in Medical Care Facilities.

Chairman noted that itemized billing for hospitals would be difficult to do, and quite a burden of paper work. This was a single request, so it is considered perhaps not a very practical piece of legislation. Rep. Friedeman moved HB 2045 be passed adversely out of committee, seconded by Rep. Foster, motion carried.

HB 2208 - Medical treatment and transportation for same, (objecting to because of religion).

This committee had no problem with HB 2208, and it was favorably passed. Mid-March however, it was taken off the House calendar and re-referred back to this committee. Inasmuch as there was no problem when action taken last year, Chair asked pleasure of committee in this regard. Rep. Williams moved to pass HB 2208 favorably out of committee, seconded by Rep. Buehler, motion carried.

HB 2301 - Requiring certificate of birth to contain fingerprint impression of newborn.

It was noted information brought out during hearings of HB 2301 stated the ridges in a newborn's fingers change within the first six-months of life, so the impression would not be very beneficial. Rep. Foster moved to report HB 2301 adversely out of committee, seconded by Rep. Friedeman. Brief discussion ensued, vote taken, motion carried. Rep. Pottorff wished to be recorded as a NO vote.

HB 2309 - Act concerning homes for children, relating to qualifications therefor.

It was noted this bill was taken care of in HB 2145, so HB 2309 no longer needed. Rep. Buehler moved to pass this out adversely, seconded by Rep. Branson, motion carried.

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HB 2473 - Limiting construction on Adult Care Homes.

This bill is no longer needed since the Certificate of Need has been eliminated. Chair then asked wishes of committee in this regard. Rep. Friedeman moved to report this adversely out of committee, seconded by Rep. Williams. Brief discussion ensued, vote taken, motion carried.

HB 2466 - Act establishing Long Term Care Commission.

HB 2491 - Enacting Older Kansans Senior Care Act.

HCR 5015 -To direct Secy. on Aging, H. & E., and SRS, to develop a joint plan for Long Term CARE Services for Elderly.

Chair noted that legislation in all three of these bills, (HB 2466, HB 2491, and HCR 5015), are tied together, and it might be better legislation if they were all combined into HCR 5015. There was discussion on Alzheimers concerns that may be directed to this committee to be added into the language of HCR 5015 as well.

Chair then asked pleasure of members in this regard. Discussion ensued. Rep. Foster moved that HB 2466 and HB 2491 be reported out of committee adversely, but their ideas be incorporated into HCR 5015 and have it reported back to the Legislature in 1987. Motion seconded by Rep. Cribbs. Discussion indicated it is felt this will make this legislation into a more cohesive bill. Vote taken, motion carried.

HB 2492 - Relating to Adult Care Homes/ providing for assessment of civil penalties. Chairman noted there will be hearings held on this bill.

HB 2498 - Licensure of Occupational Therapists/ and Occupational Therapists Assistants. Chair noted to members that after HB 2663 is heard and considered, HB 2498 shall be addressed at that time.

HB 2533 - Concerning Respiratory Therapy/ providing for licensure/ Establishing Council. Chairman noted again to members that after HB 2663 is heard and considered, HB 2533 shall be addressed at that time.

HB 2502 - State Board Healing Arts to grant license to an individual at Larned Hospital. It was noted this bill had been addressed in other legislation, so HB 2502 is no longer needed. There was discussion in regard to license request, and Chair noted to committee a temporary license had been granted this individual. Rep. Bryant moved HB 2502 be passed adversely out of committee, seconded by Rep. Neufeld, motion carried.

HB 2558 - Authorizing State Board of Healing Arts to establish qualifications for persons performing under supervision. Short discussion held, Rep. Buehler then moved to report HB 2558 adversely seconded by Rep. Hassler, motion carried.

Chairman noted to members, HB 2663 will need to be considered and a decision reached on it before hearings can be scheduled on any bills in regard to Credentialing.

Chair noted the Interim Committee Report, beginning on page 925 would be beneficial for study, and he strongly urged members to read this report.

SB 179 - Chairman noted committee will hold hearings on SB 179 in near future.

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HB 2503 - Establish Commission for blind & visually impaired/ authorizing this Commission to fill vacancies as Director of Division of Services for the blind.

Chairman noted this has varied ramifications and members may want to consider whether or not hearings should be held on HB 2503.

Chair noted that 2 of 5 bill requests made last week by Secretary of SRS will be kept in this committee. Three of those will be sent to other committees for hearings and action.

Chair noted further the State Board of Healing Arts will have bill requests forthcoming.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

