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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./~~p.m.~~ on April 2, 1986 in room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present:

Emalene Correll, Legislative Research
Norman Furse, Revisors Office
Clarene Wilms, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Olin Tapley, EMS Council, Chair, Air Ambulance Task Force
Sanford C. Rogers, Senior Vice-President, Kansas Air-Life
Marlene Hoglund, Department on Aging
Marilyn Bradt, Kansans for Improvement of Nursing Homes

Others Attending: See Attached List

Olin Tapley continued testimony on HCR-5031. Mr. Tapley stated that the Emergency Medical Services Council took no position on HCR-5031.

Sanford C. Rogers testified. Written testimony was presented to the committee April 1, 1986. Mr. Rogers stated that dedicated aircraft are not needed. He also commented that not one state requires dedicated aircraft. The costs of a plane and insurance costs while a plane stands idle are prohibitive. Mr. Rogers supported HCR-5031 as it came out of the House.

Pam Bailey, Wesley Hospital, Wichita, Kansas, had requested to appear as a conferee yesterday (April 1, 1986) but was not present when called at today's hearing.

Senator Salisbury stated that the Joint Committee on Rules and Regulations were of the opinion that aircraft could be used for other services and that the amendment offered by the Kansas Highway Patrol would reverse this legislation.

Senator Francisco moved to recommend HCR-5031 favorable for passage. Senator Morris seconded the motion and the motion carried. Senator Salisbury will carry HCR-5031 on the Senate floor.

Senator Hayden introduced his pages from Elkhart, Kansas.

Marlene Hoglund testified in favor of SCR-1641. Written testimony was presented to the committee on April 1, 1986. The Kansas Department on Aging supports and urges adoption of this resolution.

Marilyn Bradt presented written testimony and stated that her organization supported SCR-1641. Attachment I

Discussion followed with Senator Walker stating that he was concerned that this resolution would infringe on the affairs of people who write the curriculums, etc. Senator Walker moved that the words "establish at" on line 0046 be stricken, also lines 0047 through 0051, and insert "encourage educational programs about Alzheimer's Disease; and." Senator Anderson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Senator Mulich moved SCR-1641 favorable for passage as amended. Senator Walker seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Senator Mulich will carry SCR-1641 on the Senate floor.

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TESTIMONY PRESENTED TO
THE SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE
CONCERNING SCR 1641

April 2, 1986

MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

Research clearly shows the pervasiveness of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders among the leading causes for admission of elderly persons into nursing homes. Further, it has become clear that, though there is no cure at present for Alzheimer's disease, there are methods for mitigating its behavioral manifestations -- techniques for handling Alzheimer's victims in ways to cause the least possible distress and confusion for the patient and, indeed, to ease the management problems for the nursing home or the family.

KINH believes it is most important that those professionals charged with the care of Alzheimer's patients, or assisting families who are dealing with this tragic disease, have a thorough understanding of the disease, its symptoms, and its management.

We agree that all the professionals named in SCR 1641, and possibly others as well, should offer basic and ongoing education in Alzheimer's disease and related disorders. KINH urges your support for SCR 1641

Marilyn Bradt
Legislative Coordinator

Attachment I
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