

Approved 3/10/87
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES

The meeting was called to order by Sen. Bill Morris at
Chairperson

9:00 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on March 5, 1987 in room 254-E of the Capitol.

All members were present ~~except~~.

Committee staff present:

Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department
Ben Barrett, Legislative Research Department
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor
Louise Cunningham, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Sen. Audrey Langworthy
Kent Granger, Shawnee Mission
Jim Hunter, D.A.V., Topeka
Ray Petty, Department of Human Resources
Charles Nicolay, Kansas Oil Marketers Association

HEARING ON S.B. 298 - Certain services to be provided to the handicapped.

Sen. Bond said this matter had been brought to his attention by a friend and he had spoken with Sen. Langworthy about it.

Sen. Langworthy said she thought the idea had merit and got together with Sen. Bond and had the bill drafted. It was patterned after Illinois law.

Kent Granger, Attorney, Shawnee Mission, said he had contacted polio in 1953 and was left with limited use of his arms. He is now driving a car with special attachments. His father had been in the truck stop business so Mr. Granger was familiar with that side of the business. As an attorney he has represented oil retailers. He was speaking not in behalf of himself but as a member of the Post-polio Society and support groups throughout the country. He said Amoco Corporation already is providing this service on a voluntary basis. A copy of a letter from Amoco Corporation to Senators Langworthy and Bond dated March 4, 1987 is attached. (Att. 1).

Jim Hunter said he is a paralyzed veteran and they support this bill. He spoke of the difficulty he has in pumping his own gas and said many times the difference between self-service and full-service can be 50¢ per gallon. He said he would not mind paying a \$1.00 or \$1.50 service charge. They want to be fair to the dealers.

Mr. Ray Petty, Department of Human Resources, said many times someone else would be in the car with the handicapped driver and in that case they should not require the special treatment. If a service charge were to be collected it should be posted.

Charles Nicolay, Kansas Oil Marketers Association, said they were not opposed to the bill and supported the concept. The companies should encourage this service. Phillips and Amoco are already encouraging it and as an industry they will promote the idea. They asked that the implementation should have a smooth transition.

HCR 5011 - A Resolution urging Congress not to use federal highway funds to reduce the federal debt.

A motion was made by Sen. Frey and was seconded by Sen. Hayden to recommend HCR 5011 favorably for passage. Motion carried.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES,
room 254-E, Statehouse, at 9:00 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on March 5, 1987

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON S.B. 192 - Sun Screening

The Chairman had talked to Col. Cantwell of the Highway Patrol and they felt this was a reasonable solution to the problem and they would welcome having some standard to pass their judgements on when they stop a car. There was no opposition to what this bill calls for.

There was a printer's error in the bill on lines 47-55 and a duplication in lines 39 and 40 to be corrected. Also an amendment was needed to bring it into compliance with federal law. Sen. Francisco made a motion to conceptually adopt these amendments. Motion was seconded by Sen. Hoferer. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sen. Francisco and was seconded by Sen. Hoferer to recommend S.B. 192 as amended, favorably for passage. Motion carried.

ACTION ON S.B. 184 - Kansas Rail Passenger Preservation Act.

A motion was made by Sen. Norvell and was seconded by Sen. Bond to recommend S.B. 184 favorably for passage. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sen. Thiessen and was seconded by Sen. Francisco to approve the Minutes of March 3rd and 4th, 1987. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

SENATE TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Date 3-5-87 Place 254-E Time 9:00

GUEST LIST

NAME	ADDRESS	ORGANIZATION
Kentow C. Granger	Shenmer Mission	Ks. Post Police Easter Seal
James P Hunter	TOPKA KAN	FVA
Charles Nicolay	Topeka	KOMA
Ken Peterson ✓	Topka	KPC
Leroy Jones	Overland Park	B.L.E.
Ray Petty	Topeka	KACEH/DAR
Betty S. Hunter	Topeka	
Ron CALBERT	NEWTON	UJU.
Tom Whitaker	TOPEKA	Ks Motor Carriers Assn.
Pat Hubblell	Topeka	Ks Railroad Assn.

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Government Affairs Representative

March 4, 1987

Senator Audrey Langworthy
Senator Dick Bond
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Dear Senators Langworthy and Bond:

I understand that S.B. 298 is scheduled for hearing by the Senate Transportation Committee on Thursday, March 5, 1987. I regret very much that I will not be able to attend the committee hearing.

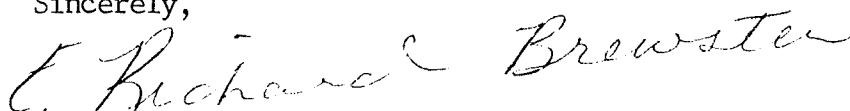
As you know, Amoco has been encouraging its dealers to provide gas tank fill-up at self-serve pumps (and therefore at self-serve prices) for the handicapped persons during hours of operation when attendants are available and at stations which offer both full-serve and self-serve. Many of our dealers have voluntarily participated in the program. Our dealers are independent businessmen and women, who are free to make their own decisions about their operation.

As you know, businessmen or women seldom favor any governmental mandate on their business activity. However, I have reviewed S.B. 298 with Amoco management and with some Johnson County area dealers. The consensus seems to be that the approach you have taken in the proposal is a fair and reasonable response to the problems faced by handicapped drivers.

The bill will make available to handicapped drivers gasoline at the self-serve price at certain locations and at certain times when an attendant is available. We appreciate very much your position and certainly would not oppose enactment of this proposal. I look forward to visiting with you when I return to Topeka.

I appreciate the understanding you have demonstrated in developing this proposal, and look forward to working with you on other matters in the future. Since no one from Amoco will be able to attend the hearing, I hope you will feel free to pass this letter along to the members of the Senate Transportation Committee, if you desire.

Sincerely,



E. Richard Brewster

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