

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 17, 19 88 in room 254-E of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Sen. Norvell was excused.

Committee staff present:

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

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Bob Haley, KDOT
John Smith, Department of Revenue

Hearing on H.B. 2706 - County bridges, repair or construction.

Rep. Freeman said this bill was requested by Lyons County Commissioners to help alleviate the repair of bridges. He said the county was facing two immediate bridge problems. The vote had been 120-0 in the House and there had been no opposition to this bill.

Bob Haley, KDOT, said they support this bill and it would give the counties more flexibility in repairing and reconstructing bridges under their jurisdiction. A copy of his statement is attached. (Attachment 1).

A motion was made by Sen. Bond and was seconded by Sen. Martin to recommend H.B. 2706 favorable for passage. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sen. Bond and was seconded by Sen. Vidricksen that H.B. 2706 be placed on the Consent Calendar. Motion carried.

Hearing on H.B. 2769 - Duplicate drivers' license, proof.

John Smith, Department of Revenue, said this bill would include an employee I.D. card with a photograph as an acceptable form of identification to obtain a duplicate driver's license. This would be added to the list of acceptable documents. A motion was made by Sen. Bond and was seconded by Sen. Vidricksen to recommend H.B. 2769 favorable for passage and have it placed on the Consent Calendar. Motion carried. Copy of Memo dated 2/9/88 is attached. (Att. 2)

Hearing on H.B. 2954 - Airport zoning, notice to Secretary of Transportation.

Bob Haley, KDOT, said this would provide for the Department to submit written or oral comments at public hearings held on airport zoning regulations. An example he gave was when Douglas County allowed a radio tower to be erected at Forbes Field in Topeka. The Department felt they should be notified in advance of situations like this. A copy of his statement is attached. (Attachment 3). He was asked what would happen if they did not file and Mr. Haley said he was not sure and requested more time on this bill so he could answer some of the questions that had been raised, but if there is a deterioration of air space they should be aware of it.

Action on H.B. 2622 - Pony Expressway.

The Chairman distributed a memorandum dated March 3, 1988 from Secretary Harland E. Priddle, Department of Commerce, stating his support for the route to be designated Pony Express Memorial Highway, which is what it is named presently. A copy of the letter is

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attached. (Attachment 4). The committee discussed this bill and some felt it was very misleading to call it an "expressway". People would expect a four-lane highway. There was discussion on whether the Department "shall" put up the signs and "may accept contributions". Some felt the communities should pay for the signing.

A motion was made by Sen. Bond and was seconded by Sen. Martin to conceptually amend the bill to include "shall sign them and may accept contributions". Members asked for a division of the motion. The "shall" motion carried on a vote of 6-3. On the "may accept contributions" motion, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Sen. Bond and was seconded by Sen. Martin to report H.B. 2622 as amended favorable for passage.

A substitute motion was made by Sen. Vidricksen to amend the bill and call it the "Pony Express Highway". This would take out the word "Memorial" which proponents of the bill had objected to. Motion was seconded by Sen. Doyen. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sen. Vidricksen and was seconded by Sen. Doyen to recommend H.B. 2622 as amended favorable for passage. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

DATE: 3-17-88

ROOM: 254-E

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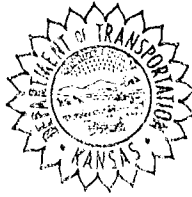
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March 17, 1988

Mike Hayden
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MEMORANDUM TO: Senate Transportation and Utilities Committee
FROM: The Kansas Department of Transportation
REGARDING: House Bill 2706, As Amended by House Committee

Thank you Mr. Chairman, members of the Committee, for the opportunity to comment on House Bill 2706, as amended. House Bill 2706 by Representative Freeman is an act concerning county bridges, amending K.S.A. 1987 Supp. 68-1103, to provide that counties may elect to repair and reconstruct bridges regardless of the age of the structure. At the present time, counties are restricted from engaging in such work unless the bridge is 30 years or more in age.

The Department supports the provisions in House Bill 2706, as amended. The bill would provide counties with more flexibility in repairing and reconstructing bridges under their jurisdiction. The Department requests favorable consideration of House Bill 2706, as amended, by the Committee. Thank you.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Michael O'Keefe
Division of Budget

FROM: Kansas Department of Revenue

DATE: February 9, 1988

RE: House Bill 2769,
As Introduced

BRIEF OF BILL:

House Bill 2769, as introduced, relates to drivers' licenses and amends K.S.A. 1987 Supp. 8-246.

This bill would include an employee identification card with a photograph and ~~date of birth~~ as an acceptable form of identification to obtain a duplicate driver's license. This bill would take effect on July 1, 1988.

FISCAL IMPACT:


Passage of this bill would not affect State revenues.

ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND COMMENTS:

There are no administrative costs or problems associated with enactment of this bill.

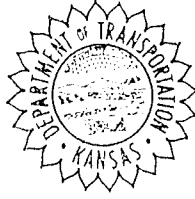
This legislation is sponsored by the Department. Recently, the Department has experienced problems with applicants unable to provide two forms of acceptable identification to obtain a duplicate license. Amending the statute would simplify obtaining a duplicate license without diminishing the purpose of the statute, i.e., to prevent issuance and use of false identification.

APPROVED BY:


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MEMORANDUM TO: Senate Transportation and Utilities Committee

FROM: The Kansas Department of Transportation

REGARDING: House Bill 2954

House Bill 2954 by the Committee on Transportation was requested by the Department of Transportation. The bill amends K.S.A. 3-705; concerning airport zoning and notification requirements, to require that governing bodies of political subdivisions adopting, amending, or changing airport zoning regulations be required to provide written notice to the Secretary of Transportation, 15 days prior to the hearing of such regulations. The legislation would provide the Secretary of Transportation the opportunity to submit written or oral comments at public hearings held on airport zoning regulations. The bill was requested because of the Department's efforts with air transportation, which I will explain briefly.

The Department's Division of Aviation coordinates the planning, development, and operation of aviation-related aspects of the transportation system. Functions of the Division include: airport inspections, airspace evaluations, liaison with the Federal Aviation Administration and preparation of flight directories and maps. In addition, the Division is charged with promoting air travel in Kansas.

Under existing law, airport zoning authorities are required to publish a public notice in an official paper or paper of general circulation in such political subdivision. The amendments to K.S.A. 3-705 would enhance the efforts of the Department to review and comment on proposals impacting the airspace around airports.

Thank you Mr. Chairman. That concludes my prepared remarks.

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Harland E. Priddle, Secretary

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M E M O R A N D U M

To: Senator Bill Morris
From: Secretary Harland E. Priddle *HEP*
SUBJECT: NAMING OF US 36 AS PONY EXPRESS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

I was talking briefly with Representative Bill Bryant concerning the action on identifying US 36 as Pony Express Memorial Highway. During my visits to communities along US 36, I found a great deal of interest in pony express stations and other tourist attractions. This highway is recognized nationally as the Pony Express Road, and Rand McNally has agreed to place this on their maps free of charge if appropriate recognition can be given by the state. This advertising will provide incentives for persons to use this route. As a matter of interest, a pony express relay event is being held this year with teams competing for prize money. These teams will ride the actual pony express route from St. Joseph along US 36 ending in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The time could not be better for us to designate the route as Pony Express Memorial Highway.

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cc: Representative Bill Bryant

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