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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Tom Bradley at 1:30 p.m. on March 12, 1997 in Room 527-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Bill Wolff, Legislative Research Department  
Robert Nugent, Revisor of Statutes  
Betty Lou Chidester, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:  
Brad Smoot, Blue Cross/Blue Shield  
Bill Pittsenberger, Blue Cross/Blue Shield  
Brian C. Moline, Kansas Insurance Dept.

Others attending: See attached list

**SB 225: Merger of mutual life insurance companies with other entities.**

Chairman Tom Bradley opened the hearing and asked Brad Smoot to begin his testimony, after which he deferred to Bill Pittsenberger who explained that with the merger of Blue Cross/Blue Shields, Topeka would still be the headquarters for the company. At the close of the discussion, a motion by Representative Stone, seconded by Representative Johnston that the bill be introduced. The motion passed. A motion was then made by Representative Kirk, seconded by Representative Stone that the bill be passed out favorably. The motion passed.

Mr. Wilder, Kansas Insurance Department, presented information which the chairman had requested be supplied in readiness for the hearing and action on Thursday.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 13, 1997.

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NAME	REPRESENTING
Jan [unclear]	KID
Chelsea Weekly	KID
Callel Lee Denton	Bottenberg's Assoc.
Bill Sneed	HFAA
Danielle Kloe	Governor's Office
Sandy Reed	visiting
[unclear]	visiting
Jennifer Lindberg	visiting
Tara Baney	visiting
Tom Wilder	Kansas Insurance Dept -