

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Gary Hayzlett at 1:35 p.m. on January 23, 2002 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Representative Ballou, excused

Committee staff present:
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor
Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department
Ellie Luthye, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:
Representative Stanley Dreher

Others attending:
See attached list

HB 2603 - designating part of U.S. 169 Highway as the Robert V. Talkington highway

Chairman Hayzlett opened hearings on **HB 2603** and called on Representative Dreher to present testimony in support of this bill.

Representative Dreher stated Senator Talkington was the driving force in getting New US 169 constructed and was most deserving of the honor of having the highway named for him. (Attachment 1)

There being no other proponents, or opponents, Chairman Hayzlett closed hearings on **HB 2603**.

Following discussion Chairman Hayzlett presented **HB 2603** for final action. Representative Beggs made a motion to pass **HB 2603** favorably, seconded by Representative Osborne and the motion carried.

Representative McKinney made a motion to introduce a bill which would extend the compression reduction brake system ordinance one-half mile beyond the city limits, seconded by Representative Ballou and the motion carried.

Chairman Hayzlett adjourned the meeting at 1:45 p.m. The next meeting of the House Transportation Committee will be Tuesday, January 29, 2002 in Room 519-S.

HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE GUEST LIST

DATE: Wednesday, January 23, 2002

NAME	REPRESENTING
GARY DAVENPORT	KS MOTOR CARRIERS ASSN.
Tom Whitaker	KS MOTOR CARRIERS ASSN
Marcia Stambaugh	KDOT
Nicole Fisher	
Aaron Dunkel	DOB

I appreciate the opportunity to appear before you today. I am here to encourage you to act favorable on HB2603. Bob Talkington was the driving force in getting New US 169 constructed in our area. Senator Schmidt has introduced a companion Bill in the Senate.

Senator Bob Talkington's service in the Kansas Legislature spanned 20 years. Bob served 2 terms in the House of Representatives. He was elected to Senate in 1973 and served 3 terms. He served as Vice-President, Majority Leader and Senate President. Senator Talkington was a member of the Kansas Turnpike Authority from 1977-1993. He also was a member of the Kansas Board of Regents from 1995-99 and served as Chairman in 1997-98.

Senator Talkington is most deserving of this honor and would appreciate your support of HB2603.

House Transportation Committee
January 23, 2002
Attachment 1

Robert V. Talkington was born near Patrick, Texas, and in January, 1949 received an Associate of Arts from Tyler Junior College, Tyler, Texas, before completing his education with a Bachelor of Science in Education in 1951, and a Juris Doctor in 1954 from the University of Kansas. After service in the Army Counter Intelligence Corps, Talkington opened his practice in Iola, Kansas, where he has a solo practice. He served as Allen County Attorney for six years, 31 years as City Attorney for the City of Moran, Kansas, and 30 years as City Attorney for the City of Gas, Kansas. He has served as attorney for Allen County Hospital and is author of "Hospital Medical Staff Law and By-Laws" published in the Washburn Law Review. He also serves as attorney for Allen County Community College. He has served on the Library Board and currently is Chairman of the Allen County Hospital's Foundation.

His service in the Kansas State Legislature spanned 20 years. In 1968 Talkington was elected to the Kansas House of Representatives, where he served two terms before his first election to the Kansas Senate in 1973. He was elected Vice President of the Senate in 1977, Majority Leader in 1981, and Senate President in 1985. He served as chairman or vice-chairman of several joint legislative committees and served on the Senate Ways and Means Committee, as well as the Senate Judiciary Committee. While serving on the Senate Ways and Means Committee, he was on subcommittees reviewing budgets for Regents' universities, including Wichita State, University of Kansas Medical Center, Fort Hays State, Emporia State and Kansas State. He has been named to "Who's Who in American Politics" since 1967, "Who's Who In America" since 1968, and "Who's Who in the World" since 1982 and has received numerous public service awards. Talkington has also served as a member of the KTWU TV Producers' Club (Public TV).

Talkington has served as Allen County Republican Chairman and Treasurer of the Republican State Committee. He is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Delta Phi, Masons, Shriners, Elks, and the American Legion, and is an Elder in the Presbyterian Church. Talkington and his wife, Donna, have five children and eight grandchildren.

Selected by Hallmark Political Action Committee as the 1983 Public Service Award Recipient for Kansas.

Selected for 1983 Distinguished Legislator Award by the Kansas Association of Community Colleges.

Selected for 1984 Citizen of the Year Award by the Iola Lions Club.

Leadership Award, 1988, Kansas Association of Alcohol and Drug Program Directors.

Selected by Tyler Junior College for Outstanding Public Service Award, TJC Alumni .
1998

Member Kansas Turnpike Authority, 1977-1985; 1989-1993, Vice Chairman 1989-1993

Member Kansas Board of Regents 1995 - 1999; Chairman 1997-98.