

Approved: May 10, 2002
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Susan Wagle at 1:30 p.m. on March 6, 2002 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator David Haley
Mr. Norm Furse, Revisor of Statutes
Ms. Emalene Correll, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Committee staff present: Ms. Lisa Montgomery, Revisor of Statutes
Ms. Margaret Cianciarulo, Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee: Mrs. Jerry Freed, Executive Director, KS Dental Board

Others attending: See attached guest list.

Approval of Minutes

Upon calling the meeting to order, the Minutes of January 16, 23, 24, 29, February 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, and 14 were distributed to the Committee. Chairperson Wagle asked that the Committee call Ms. Cianciarulo, if there were comments, questions, additions, or deletions, and if none are received by the 1:30 p.m. meeting of March 13, 2002, the above minutes would stand.

Hearing on SB630 - an act concerning the Kansas Dental Board

The Chair then announced that before the hearing, Mr. Norm Furse, Revisor of Statutes, would give a brief overview of the bill. Highlights of Mr. Furse's overview included: the bill being introduced at the request of the Kansas State Dental Board; language changes (Secretary-treasurer responsibilities are now handled by an executive director and the Board's Secretary treasurer's title changed to Secretary; provisions of the Board's responsibilities (approving, authorizing, adopting); the examination process; and the renewal process.

As there were no questions for Mr. Furse, the Chair then called on Mrs. Jerry Freed, Executive Director, Kansas Dental Board, who testified as a proponent. Mrs. Freed stated that the bill technically amends several dental board statutes and the amendments do not propose any changes in policy. She stated the proposals would help to clarify the dental laws and make it easier for licensees to understand. A copy of her testimony is (Attachment 1) attached hereto and incorporated into Minutes by reference.

As there were no questions of the conferee, and no further testimony to be presented, the Chair closed the hearing and the meeting was adjourned.

Adjournment

Adjournment time was at 1:48 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2002.



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KANSAS DENTAL BOARD

Legislative Testimony – SB 630

Jerri A. Freed, Executive Director
March 6, 2002

Senate Bill 630 technically amends several dental board statutes. The amendments do not propose any changes in policy.

K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 74-1405 (page 7, lines 28 & 29 of the bill) requires the annual election of a President, Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer. The Secretary-Treasurer position on the board does not handle any monies and, therefore, should be referred to as Secretary. On page 8, line 8 of the bill the board is proposing to update my position title to Executive Director.

The remaining statutes deal with application for licensure in Kansas, renewal of licenses, and submitting other information to the board. As currently written, the licensee is directed to file or submit any materials or monies to the Secretary or Secretary-Treasurer. There has been on-going confusion, which has caused the Secretary of the board to receive reports, complaints, and as recently as last week, confidential test scores.

The Kansas Dental Board proposes these technical amendments to clarify the dental laws and make it easier for licensees to understand. I respectfully request that you favorably consider Senate Bill 630.

*Senate Public Health & Welfare Committee
Date: March 6, 2002
Attachment 1*