

Approved: March 3, 2005

Date

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMERCE AND LABOR COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don Dahl at 9:00 A.M. on February 10, 2005 in Room 241-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Kevin Yoder- excused

Committee staff present:

Jerry Ann Donaldson, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Norm Furse, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Renae Jefferies, Office of Revisor of Statutes

June Evans, Committee Secretary

Others attending:

See attached list.

The Chairman opened the meeting and recognized Representative Sharp who introduced her intern.

The Chairman stated the committee would take action on **HB 2157 - Employment security disqualification benefits.**

Staff gave a short briefing on the bill. The bill is consistent with the other laws and makes it clear that benefits to employees of only home health care agencies and adult care homes would be disqualified if found to have a felony.

Representative Ruff moved and Representative Humerickhouse seconded to pass out **HB 2157** favorably.

Representative Pauls moved and Representative Jack seconded a substitute motion for an amendment that would disqualify an individual from unemployment benefits if the individual was hired and then subsequently convicted of a disqualifying felony. The substitute motion was adopted.

Representative Jack moved a proposed amendment to include other places of employment, not just home health care agencies and adult care homes.

Staff stated they would research to see what is covered statutorily and report back with that information.

Representative Jack withdrew his motion.

Representative Ruff moved and Representative Jack seconded to move **HB 2157** out favorably as amended. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m. The next meeting will be February 11, 2005.

