

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 1, 2006 in Room 241-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Patricia Kilpatrick- excused

Committee staff present:
Jerry Ann Donaldson, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Norm Furse, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Rena Jefferies, Office of Revisor of Statutes
June Evans, Committee Secretary

The Chairman stated the agenda listed a hearing on **HB 2372 - Misclassifying employees as independent contractors to avoid withholding income tax, class A nonperson misdemeanor; investigation by department of revenue.** Instead of holding a hearing on the bill the Floor will be open for bill introductions.

Representative Ruff requested a bill similar to **HB 2202** but with added improvements.

The Chairman stated without exception the bill will be accepted.

Representative Ruff requested a bill requesting a study by the Department of Insurance of possible fraud or abuse by some carriers in regard to employers in Kansas.

There was objection to the request.

The Chairman stated that since there was objection the proposed bill would not be accepted as a committee bill.

Representative Holland requested introduction of a bill similar to **HB 2372** but with modified language.

The Chairman stated without exception the bill will be accepted.

Hal Hudson requested introduction of a bill commonly that is now known as the Small Business Flexibility Act.

The Chairman stated without exception the bill will be accepted.

Sherry C. Diel, Executive Director, Kansas Real Estate Board, requested a bill concerning real estate brokers and salespersons; relating to expiration, suspension, revocation of licenses and civil fines.

The Chairman stated without exception the bill will be accepted.

The Chairman stated tomorrow, February 2nd would be the last day for bill introductions. There will not be a committee meeting on February 3rd.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m. The next meeting will be February 2, 2006.