

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Commerce, Labor and Economic Development** recommends **SB 197** be amended by substituting with a new bill to be designated as "House Substitute for Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 197," as follows:

"House Substitute for Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 197

By Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

"AN ACT concerning economic development; relating to port authorities; providing that a port authority may be authorized by enactment of a bill and authorizing the establishment of a port authority by the unified government of Wyandotte county and Kansas City, Kansas; relating to the STAR bonds financing act; relating to STAR bond project district requirements; authorizing redevelopment of certain mall facilities as eligible STAR bond projects; authorizing the secretary of commerce to approve vertical construction within certain STAR bond project districts; authorizing STAR bond projects in certain counties located in certain metropolitan statistical areas as rural redevelopment projects; setting certain visitor origin requirements and requiring certain enforcement by the secretary against developers that fail to meet such requirements; requiring the secretary to make certain information concerning STAR bond projects publicly available on the website of the department of commerce; prohibiting state general fund moneys from being pledged for the repayment of any special obligation bond issued by a city or county to finance a STAR bond project; prohibiting a city or county from using eminent domain to acquire real property for a STAR bond project; extending the expiration date of the STAR bonds financing act to July 1, 2031; amending K.S.A. 12-17,160, 12-17,166, 12-17,172, 12-17,179 and 12-3402 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 12-17,162, 12-17,164 and 12-17,169 and repealing the existing sections.";

And the substitute bill be passed.

Chairperson