

MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Vratil at 9:34 a.m. on February 22, 2002 in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Gordon Self, Revisor  
Mike Heim, Research  
Mary Blair, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Senator Lynn Jenkins  
Melissa Wangemann, Office of Secretary of State (SOS)  
Rose Rozmiarek, Office of the State Fire Marshal  
Kyle Smith, Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI)  
Marlee Carpenter, Kansas Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KCCI)  
Nancy Bukar, Consumer Healthcare Products' Association (CHPA)

Others attending: see attached list

The minutes of the February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2002 meeting were approved on a motion by Senator Donovan, seconded by Senator Schmidt. Carried.

**SB 552—civil procedure; concerning child support**

Conferee Senator Jenkins testified in support of **SB 552**, a bill which would extend child support through college years upon request by one of the parents or the child. She discussed her purpose for introducing this bill and provided a detailed description of the bill's provisions.(attachment 1) Discussion followed.

**SB 524—business entities; annual report; filing of certain documents; franchise**

Conferee Wangemann testified in support of **SB 524** a bill which duplicates changes made in the amended corporate code, in the laws relating to certain business entities. She stated that the intent of the bill is to "create uniformity and consistency among all business entities that file with the Secretary of State." She presented a detailed discussion on six issues which the amendments address, discussed two further amendments attached to her written testimony and offered a third amendment which would, on pg. 2, line 4, delete the phrase "as shown by its balance sheet."(attachment 2) Discussion followed.

**SB 515—methamphetamine and other substances**

Conferee Rozmiarek testified in support of **SB 515**, a bill which establishes certain provisions regarding the manufacture of methamphetamines. She discussed Section 2 of the bill which is an amendment that adds "a fire or explosion that occurred due to the manufacturing of an illegal substance as an arson fire." She stated that this assures that investigative information in these types of cases are kept confidential.(attachment 3)

Conferee Smith testified in support **SB 515**. He briefly reviewed illegal methamphetamine production in Kansas and discussed in detail the proposals in the bill.(attachment 4)

Written testimony in support of **SB 515** was submitted by Daryl Reece, Johnson County Sheriff's Office.(attachment 5)

Conferee Carpenter testified in opposition to **SB 515**. She discussed efforts by Kansas retailers to assist state agencies in helping to curb the availability of precursor drugs and she presented an overview of a "Kansas Retailer Meth Watch Program." She stated KCCI feels that package limits should be encouraged, but not mandated by the state.(attachment 6)

Conferee Bukar testified in opposition to **SB 515** discussing, specifically, the provision to restrict the quantity of over the counter medicines that can be sold by retailers in a single transaction. She argued that the limits are misplaced, unnecessary, ineffective and unduly burdensome to merchants.(attachment 7)

Written testimony opposing **SB 515** was submitted by Bob Williams, Kansas Pharmacists Association.(attachment 8)

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m. The next scheduled meeting is February 25, 2002.