

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Landwehr at 2:30 p.m. on January 12, 2011 in Room 546-S of the Capital.

All members were present except:

- Representative Bill Otto – excused
- Representative Ann Mah – excused
- Representative Valdenia Winn - excused

Committee staff present:

- Norm Furse, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
- Katherine McBride, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
- Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department
- Dorothy Noblit, Kansas Legislative Research Department
- Kathie Sparks, Kansas Legislative Research Department
- Debbie Bartuccio, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

None

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairperson Landwehr began the meeting by explaining the committee is a quasi-electronic committee. Hard copies and bill books are not supplied to members. As a rule, testimony is sent in electronic form and the members are expected to bring their computers to the meetings. Or, they can elect to bring their own hard copies. Members were asked to supply the committee assistant with the e-mail address they wish to use for receiving the electronic testimony. Computer Services will install Adobe Acrobat Professional software on State issued laptops, which allows members to make notes and highlights on the documents.

Chairperson Landwehr then asked all members and staff to introduce themselves. She indicated meetings would normally be held on Monday through Thursday in the Docking building in Room 784. The Committee Rules ([Attachment 1](#)) and Notice to Conferees ([Attachment 2](#)) documents were reviewed, noting the following two items:

1 – Individuals wishing to appear and provide verbal testimony before the committee MUST notify the committee assistant no later than the morning before the day of the hearing and an electronic copy of all testimony MUST be submitted to the committee assistant no later than 10:00 a.m. the day prior to the hearing.

2 – If suggested amendment(s) are to be offered, a proposed draft (in electronic form) of the amendment(s) must be provided in advance to staff prior to the hearing. At least 10 hard copies of the suggested amendment must be brought to the hearing.

Chairperson Landwehr reviewed the tentative agenda for the following week and requested committee members to provide bill introductions in advance to the committee assistant so they can be distributed to committee members and staff prior to the committee meeting. Chairperson Landwehr requested that only bills with subject matter relating to the Health and Human Services Committee be brought before the committee. The chair would also appreciate it if committee members inform her of bills to be introduced in advance of the committee meeting. Committee members were encouraged to ask any questions concerning procedures on how to introduce bills, propose amendments, etc.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.