

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Commerce and Economic Development** recommends **HB 2336** be amended on page 1, in line 10, by striking all after "employment" where it appears for the first time; by striking all in line 11; in line 12, by striking "disability"; also in line 12, by striking "support the"; in line 13, by striking "employment of" and inserting "provide services and support to help obtain employment for"; in line 15, following the period, by inserting "Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any employer to give preference to hiring people with a disability."; in line 24, by striking all after "Sec. 3."; by striking all in lines 25 through 36;

On page 2, by striking lines 1 through 28 and inserting:

"(a) The governor shall designate one cabinet agency as the lead agency member to establish measurable goals and objectives for the state of Kansas to ensure implementation of this act. Such lead agency shall track the measurable progress of public agencies in implementing this act. All state agencies shall fully cooperate with and provide data and information necessary to assist the lead agency in carrying out its duties.

(b) The lead agency designated by the governor shall issue an annual report on or before January 30 each year which shall be presented to the governor and to the chairperson of each of the senate committee on ways and means and the house committee on appropriations. The report shall detail progress toward the goals and objectives and full implementation of this act. The report also shall identify barriers to achieving the outcomes along with the effective strategies and policies that can help realize the employment first initiative. The lead agency shall be responsible for compiling data and coordinating the preparation of the annual report. All state agencies shall cooperate with the lead

agency on the creation and dissemination of the annual report.";

And the bill be passed as amended.

_____Chairperson