

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Garry Boston at 1:30 p.m. on February 7, 2001 in Room 210 Memorial Hall

All members were present except: Representative Brenda Landwehr, Excused
Representative Peggy Palmer, Excused

Committee staff present: Dr. Bill Wolff, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Norman Furse, Revisor of Statute's Office
June Evans, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Joyce Volmut, Executive Director, Kansas Medically
Underserved
Joe Fund, Legislative Liaison, KDHE

Others attending: See Attached Sheet

The Chairperson opened the meeting stating there would be hearings on **HBs 2210** and **2132** and if time permits would work **HBs 2057** and **2058**.

The Chairperson opened the hearing on **HB 2210 - Distribution and control of drugs in indigent health care clinics and federally qualified centers.**

Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes Office, gave a briefing on **HB 2210.**

Joyce Volmut, testified in support of **HB 2210**, asking that the words medically indigent clinics, as defined by the secretary of health and environment and FQHC's be added to the current Kansas statute concerning drug rooms in specific medical facilities, whereby a pharmacist in charge indirectly supervises storage of prescription drugs within the facility and delegates to a registered nurse or nurses, an advanced registered nurse practitioner or a licensed physician assistant approved by the pharmacist in charge and under the supervision of the pharmacist in charge shall be in charge of the distribution and control of drugs of a medical care facility pharmacy when a pharmacist is not on the premises. The state department of health and environment, any county, city-county or multicounty health department, indigent health care clinic, federally qualified health center and any private not-for-profit family planning clinic, when registered by the board, may keep drugs for the purpose of distributing drugs to patients being treated by that health department, indigent health care clinic, federally qualified health center or family planning clinic (Attachment 1).

Terri Roberts, Executive Director, Kansas State Nurses Association, distributed written testimony supporting **HB 2210** as this proposed provision will foster access and decrease delays in beginning medications for these clients at the time they are seen (Attachment 2).

Susan A. Linn, Executive Secretary, Kansas State Board of Pharmacy, distributed written testimony supporting **HB 2210** (Attachment 3).

The Chairperson closed the hearing on **HB 2210.**

The Chairperson opened the hearing on **HB 2132 - Approval of construction of mausoleums or burial vaults.**

Dr. Bill Wolff, Legislative Research Department, gave a briefing on **HB 2132.**

CONTINUATION SHEET

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Joe Fund, Legislative Liaison, KDHE, testified with an amendment to **HB 2132**. KDHE requested the introduction of this bill to shift the responsibility and authority to the Board of Mortuary Arts (Attachment 4).

Matt Smith, Board of Mortuary Arts, stated if this responsibility was shifted to the Board of Mortuary Arts they would request an application of fee of not more than \$100 be granted to cover expenses.

John Peterson, representing the Cemetery Association had concerns but due to the bill just being placed on the calendar requested final action be delayed until the Cemetery Association could provide testimony.

The Chairperson closed the hearing on **HB 2132**.

The Chairperson asked what the committee's wishes were on final action on **HB 2057 - Repealing the medical scholarship program?**

Representative Kirk asked staff to prepare a balloon to include "child psychiatrists".

Mr. Furse stated he would look at it and report back tomorrow or the bill could be amended in the Senate.

After discussion, Mr. Furse will provide a balloon for the committee's consideration and possibly final action could be taken then.

The Chairperson asked what the committee's wishes were on final action on **HB 2058 - Continuation of health care reform legislative oversight committee.**

Representative Welshimer moved and Representative Swenson seconded to move HB 2058 out favorably and place on the consent calendar. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m. and the next meeting will be February 8th.