

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Melvin Neufeld at 1:30 p.m. on January 20, 2009, in Room 143-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Steve Brunk- excused
Representative Broderick Henderson- excused
Representative Steve Huebert- excused
Representative Aaron Jack- excused
Representative Harold Lane- excused
Representative Rob Olson- excused

Committee staff present:

Nikki Feuerborn, Administrative Assistant
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Mike Heim, Kansas Legislative Revisor
Jason Long, Kansas Legislative Revisor

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Bob Alderson, Convenience Stores, Casey's General Stores

Others attending:

See attached list.

Staff and Committee members were introduced and copies of the proposed Committee rules were distributed. These rules will be voted upon by members after their perusal.

Chairman Neufeld explained the need for a statute which would appoint three committees to address the permanent and temporary artwork and displays in the public areas of the Capitol. The bill would also disallow any changes to the completed restoration i.e. painting over existing stenciling or artwork, movement of walls.

Representative Benlon moved to introduce the conceptual bill as explained by Chairman Neufeld. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Kiegerl. Motion carried.

Bob Alderson, representing Casey's General Stores and other convenience stores, requested the introduction of a bill which would allow for the sale of 4% beer in stores which are currently licensed to sell 3.2% beer. This is described as the "single strength beer" concept as it would probably eliminate the sale of 3.2 % beer, or cereal malt beverage.

Representative Peterson moved for the introduction of the "single strength beer" bill. Motion was seconded by Representative Bob Grant. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.