

MINUTES OF THE SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Michael O'Donnell at 1:34pm on Tuesday, March 15, 2016, 118-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Senator Susan Wagle – Excused

Committee staff present:
Randi Walters, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant
Scott Abbott, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Iraida Orr, Legislative Research Department
Whitney Howard, Legislative Research Department

Conferees appearing before the Committee:
No conferees present

Others in attendance:
[See Attached List](#)

Hearing on: SB495 — Eliminating medical assistance coverage for elective induced labor prior to 39 weeks of pregnancy.

Chairperson O'Donnell opened the hearing on **SB495**. Scott Abbott, staff revisor, reviewed the bill.

Questions from the Committee were addressed by staff and John Monroe, Legislative Director, Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

There being no conferees, Chairperson O'Donnell closed the hearing on **SB495**.

Final action on: SB490 — Adding dry needling to the physical therapy scope of practice.

Chairperson O'Donnell opened final action on **SB490**. Scott Abbott distributed and explained a balloon amendment. ([Attachment 1](#))

Senator Bowers moved, Senator Love seconded, to adopt the balloon amendment. After some discussion, motion carried.

*Senator Kelly moved, Senator Bowers seconded, to recommend **SB490** as amended, favorably for passage. Motion carried.*

Final action on: SB363 — Relating to licensure of acupuncturists.

Chairperson O'Donnell opened final action on **SB363**. Scott Abbott distributed and explained a balloon amendment. ([Attachment 2](#))

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES of the Committee on Public Health and Welfare at 1:34pm on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 in Room 118-N of the Capitol.

Senator LaTurner moved, Senator Bowers seconded, to adopt the balloon amendment. Motion carried.

Senator Kelly moved, Senator Love seconded, to insert the contents of **SB490** as amended into **SB363**. Motion carried.

Senator LaTurner moved, Senator Kelly seconded, to recommend **SB363**, as amended, favorably for passage. Motion carried.

After comments from John Peterson, representing Kansas Chiropractic Association, Scott Abbott explained more regarding the amendment. Discussion ensued with further comments by Mr. Peterson and Ron Hein, representing Kansas Physical Therapy Association.

Chairperson O'Donnell closed final action on **SB363**.

Final action on: SB446 — State psychiatric hospital catchment area definitions.

Chairperson O'Donnell opened final action on **SB446**. Kelli Ludlum, Assistant Secretary, Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services, provided a briefing on the bill.

After some discussion, Senator LaTurner moved, Senator O'Donnell seconded, to recommend **SB446** favorably for passage. The Chair was in doubt on a voice vote, calling for division with a show of hands. Motion failed.

Final action on: HB2518 — Mandatory electronic filing of death certificates.

Chairperson O'Donnell opened final action on **HB2518**.

Senator Kelly moved, Senator LaTurner seconded, to recommend **HB2518** favorably for passage. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:14 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2016.