

MINUTES OF THE SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman James Barnett at 1:30 P.M. on January 25, 2005 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

Committee members absent: Susan Wagle- excused

Committee staff present: Terri Weber, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Norm Furse, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Whitney Nordstrom, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Roderick L. Bremby, Secretary, KDHE

Others attending: See attached list

Bill Introductions

Upon calling the meeting to order, Chairperson Barnett asked for any bill introductions. Kyle Kessler, Director; Governmental and Media Affairs with KDHE introduced two bills in place of Gary Daniels, Acting Secretary. First proposal amends current statute to extend the time line for completion of an Adult Protective Services investigation from 30 working days to 90 working days if conducting the investigation within 30 working days would interfere with an ongoing criminal investigation. The second proposal provides the Secretary of the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services the injunctive authority to cease operations of facilities and/or providers who do not meet or seek to meet established minimum standards of care or treatment through licensure. A copy of his bill introduction is (Attachment 1) attached hereto and incorporated into the Minutes as referenced.

Senator V. Schmidt motioned to adopt the introduced bills. Senator Brungardt seconded the motion. Motioned passed.

Chairman Barnett, on behalf of the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee, introduced a draft resolution concerning healthy eating and physical activity in public elementary and secondary schools.

Senator V. Schmidt motioned to adopt the introduced bill. Senator Brungardt seconded the motion. Motioned passed.

Presentation on the Kansas Department of Health and Environment Division of Health

Chairman Barnett introduced Roderick Bremby, Secretary of KDHE, who began by introducing his staff and stated he would be presenting an overview of the KDHE Division of Health. A copy of his presentation is (Attachment 2) attached hereto and incorporated into the Minutes as referenced. Highlights of his presentations included:

- 1) Summary of Division of Health Responsibilities
- 2) Recent Division of Health Successes and Initiatives
- 3) Division of Health Budget and Finance Information
- 4) Division of Health Organizational Structure
- 5) Office of Health Promotion
- 6) Office of Local and Rural Health (OLRH)
- 7) Bureau of Child Care and Health Facilities (BCCHF)
- 8) Bureau of Children, Youth and Families
- 9) Bureau of Epidemiology and Disease Prevention (BEDP)
- 10) Bureau of Consumer Health
- 11) Other KDHE Divisions

Chairperson Barnett thanked Mr. Bremby for his presentation and asked the Committee for questions and/or comments.

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A range of questions and comments came from Senators Barnett, Haley, Palmer, and Jordan including what are some deficiencies of KDHE, will Lead Prevention Programs in the state be enhanced, and if any environmental conditions are cause for the increase in child asthma.

Adjournment

Chairperson Barnett reviewed next weeks agenda and with no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The time 2:15 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 31, 2005.