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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE VETERANS MILITARY AND HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don Myers at 1:30 PM on January 24, 2008 in Room 784 of the Docking Building.

All members were present except:

Bob Bethell - excused
Dan Johnson - excused
Bill Light - excused
Kenny Wilk - excused
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Committee staff present:

Scott Wells, Revisor of Statutes Office
Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Art Griggs, Revisor of Statutes Office
Jill Shelley, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Barbara Lewerenz, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Secretary Joan Wagon, Department of Revenue
Carmen Alldritt, Director of Vehicles, Department of Revenue

Others attending:

See attached list.

Moved by Representative Ruff, seconded by Representative Craft for approval of Minutes of the House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security held January 22, 2008 and January 23, 2008. The motion carried.

The Chairman called for bill introductions.

Representative Ruff requested a bill introduction regarding an increase of services to veterans by providing a large mobile vehicle that would accommodate a wheel chair and desk. Representative Ruff moved the introduction, seconded by Representative Goyle. The motion carried.

Chairman Myers recognized Secretary Joan Wagon, Department of Revenue and Carmen Alldritt, Director of Vehicles, Department of Revenue. Director Alldritt reported on the beneficial effects of **SB 9**. (Attachment 1)

Secretary Wagon stated that, to take the steps needed to reach full compliance with the provisions of the federal **Real ID Act of 2005** by the deadline of December 31, 2009, a modest increase of \$6.00 to \$8.00 in drivers license fees is necessary.

Chairman Myers requested Representative Ruff to work up legislation regarding the change in drivers license fees.

Representative Goico introduced Intern Blake Baraban, who is a student at the University of Kansas.

Representative Crow requested a bill introduction that would allow veterans and active duty service personnel, who have been victims of identity theft or have experienced security breaches of computerized personal or financial information, to place a security freeze on the account. Representative Crow moved the introduction, seconded by Representative Goico. The motion carried.

Chairman Myers adjourned the meeting at 2:40 PM.