

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman William G. Mason at 3:37 p.m. on February 22, 2000 in Room 522-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present: April Holman, Legislative Research Department
Lynne Holt, Legislative Research Department
Renaë Jefferies, Revisor of Statutes
Bob Nugent, Revisor of Statutes
Rose Marie Glatt, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: *Written testimony* distributed from
Irene Hart, Sedgwick County, Div. of Community Dev.
(Attachment 1)
Brian M. Atwell, Living Independent in Northwest Kansas
(Attachment 2)

Others attending: See Attached List

The Chairman noted the cancellation of the hearing on **HB 2531**.

The Chairman opened the discussion for any action on **HB 2971**. Bob Nugent, Revisor, distributed a summary sheet of proposed amendments that had been suggested during the hearing by Topeka Independent Living Resource Center, KDOC& H, Kansas Bankers Association and Heartland Community Bankers Association (Attachment 3). Bills with balloons reflecting those suggestions were also distributed to the Committee. He noted that there were two other suggested revisions, received after the hearing, from the Sedgwick County Housing Office and Representative Flora. He reviewed and answered questions regarding the amendments.

Representative Gatewood moved to adopt the amendment suggested by KDOCH on page 2, line 35 and 40, and page 3, lines 1 and 5 to change the percent from 70% to 80%. Representative Kuether seconded. Representative Gatewood stated that this would make the bill conform to the federal requirements and provide consistency. Discussion followed regarding the impact of the change and the scope of the bill. Representative Gatewood called the question. The motion carried.

Representative Gatewood moved to adopt the amendment suggested by KDOCH on page 3, line 22, to strike the department of housing and insert "federal department of housing and urban development". Representative Vickrey seconded and the motion carried.

Representative Gatewood moved to adopt the amendment suggested by KDOCH on page 7, line 35, to add "Fees not required for these expenses and allowances will be transferred to the state housing trust fund." Representative Kuether seconded the motion. Discussion followed clarifying the term "fees" and its use. The motion was defeated.

Representative Kuether moved to amend page 2, line 26 by adding "and to assist Kansas families of low, very low and moderate income in obtaining such housing" to the end of the sentence. This amendment was suggested by the Heartland Community Banks Association. Representative Gatewood seconded. Discussion followed regarding the need for consistency of the language throughout the bill. The motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding the intent of the proposed amendment page 7, line 35 regarding the transfer of fees not required for these expenses and allowances will be transferred to the state housing trust fund. Representative Osborne moved that on page 7, line 33, all language be struck after the word corporation on lines 33, 34 and 35. Representative Compton seconded. Discussion followed regarding the difficulties of following the bill due to the complexity and number of amendments. It was suggested that perhaps it would be better to have the draft re-done, placing all the balloons on the outside on long paper. Time constraints were also discussed. The motion carried.

Representative Vickrey moved that the Heartland Community Bankers Association balloon on page 8, sub-section (b) "The corporation, to the greatest extent possible, shall hire and utilize private businesses in the performance of its powers and duties as prescribed by this act" be added. Representative Findley seconded and the motion carried.

Representative Kuether moved that on page 1, New Section 1 be struck from the bill and start with Section 2. Representative Aday seconded. Discussion followed regarding the intent of that section. Mr. Nugent stated that the inclusion of the amendments offered by the Topeka Independent Living Resource Center would not change the substance of the bill. Representative Kuether withdrew her motion and the second was withdrawn as well.

Representative Aday moved that four amendments suggested by the Topeka Independent Living Resource Center be

abopted: page 1, line 42 add after the word decent “.accessible and integrated, page 2, sub-section (g) be struck, page 3, line 27-31 be struck after the word thereto, and page 4, an additional section (8) be added “accessible and integrated means that dwellings shall be designed, constructed or rehabilitated in such a way which allows for all residents to get into and use the dwelling, integrated in various locations throughout a proposed project, which is not for the exclusive occupancy of specific groups or categories of individual”. Representative Beggs seconded and the motion passed.

Representative Vickrey moved the adoption of an amendment suggested by the Kansas Bankers Associaiton to add a new *#3 as follows “participate in lending activities for agricultural or commercial purposes; The following sections would be re-numbered. Representative Campbell seconded. Discussion followed regarding the definition of agricultural or commercial purposes. Representative Vickrey changed his motion to state that the intent is to limit their scope of the loans that they make to residential housing. At Representative Campbell’s suggestion, Representative Vickrey changed his motion again to leave the original amendment (see * above) and add :For the purposes of this act commercial means non-residential. The motion carried.

Representative Kuether moved that the bill be tabled. Representative Campbell seconded and the motion carried. Discussion followed regarding the intent of the motion. It was made in an effort to simplify and clarify the amendments not to kill the bill. It was suggested that the Revisor re-draft the bill with the amendments made that day included. If the bill is blessed, it will come back to the committee for further discussion and action.

The next meeting is Tuesday, February 22, 2000.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m