

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Transportation** recommends **SB 63** be amended on page 2, following line 11, by inserting:

"Sec. 3. K.S.A. 8-1551 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1551. (a) Whenever any person driving a vehicle approaches a railroad grade crossing under any of the circumstances stated in this section, the driver of such vehicle shall stop within ~~thirty (30)~~ 50 feet but not less than ~~fifteen (15)~~ 15 feet from the nearest rail of such railroad, and shall not proceed until ~~he or she~~ such driver can do so safely. The foregoing requirements shall apply when:

(1) A clearly visible electric or mechanical signal device gives warning of the immediate approach of a railroad train or other on-track equipment;

(2) a crossing gate is lowered or when a human flagman gives or continues to give a signal of the approach or passage of a railroad train or other on-track equipment;

(3) a railroad train or other on-track equipment approaching within approximately ~~one thousand five hundred (1,500)~~ 1,500 feet of the highway crossing emits a signal audible from such distance and such railroad train or other on-track equipment, by reason of its speed or nearness to such crossing, is an immediate hazard; or

(4) an approaching railroad train or other on-track equipment is plainly visible and is in hazardous proximity to such crossing.

(b) No person shall drive any vehicle through, around or under any crossing gate or barrier at a railroad crossing while such gate or barrier is closed or is being opened or closed.";

Also on page 2, in line 12, before "K.S.A" by inserting "K.S.A. 8-1551 and"; also in line 12,

by striking "is" and inserting "are";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 1, after "concerning" by inserting "transportation; relating to"; also in line 1, by striking "relating to" and inserting "regulating the use of"; in line 2, after the semicolon by inserting "requiring vehicle drivers to stop for on-track train equipment at railroad grade crossing signals;"; also in line 2, after "amending" by inserting "K.S.A. 8-1551 and"; in line 3, by striking "section" and inserting "sections"; and the bill be passed as amended.

\_\_\_\_\_Chairperson