

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Robert Tomlinson at 3:35 p.m. on January 29, 2002 in Room 527-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Rep. Gene O'Brien

Committee staff present: Bill Wolff, Legislative Research  
Ken Wilke, Legislative Revisor  
Mary Best, Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee: Robert Hayes, Health Care Stabilization Fund

Others attending: See Attached Guest List

The Chair recognized Mr. Robert Hayes, Executive Director, Health Care Stabilization Fund, who came before the committee to present two draft proposals for the aforementioned organization. A copy of the proposal is (Attachment 1) attached hereto and incorporated into the Minutes by reference.

Mr. Hayes stated the first proposal "contains changes related to the administrative activities of the Health Care Stabilization Fund" and the second proposal "makes changes to the portions of the Health Care Stabilization Fund law that provide for the submission of basic coverage documentation and health Care Stabilization Fund surcharge payments." Mr. Hayes continued on the explain the results these changes would have on the Fund. He also explained that the new wording would require the insurer to pay additional interest on overdue surcharge payments.

Mr. Hayes testified that copies of the proposal had been sent to the Kansas Medical Society, other health care providers professional associations, and tot the insurance companies providing liability insurance for Kansas health care providers.

The motion was made by Representative Edmonds to move to introduce the bill. The motion was seconded by Representative Grant and passed by the committee.

The Chairman then brought forth **HB 2247 - Kansas business health care partnership act, removal of sunset...** There was one question asked by a Representative and the bill was then back before the committee. Representative Grant made the motion to mark the bill favorable for passage. The motion was seconded by Representative Vickery and the motion passed and will be referred to General Orders.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned. The time was 3:40 p.m. The next meeting will be held February 5, 2002, at 3:30 p.m.