

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Karin Brownlee at 8:30 a.m. on April 03, 2002 in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Kerr (Excused)  
Senator Steineger (Excused)

Committee staff present: Sherman Parks, Revisor of Statutes  
April Holman, Legislative Research  
Lea Gerard, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Paul Bicknell, Chief of Contributions, Dept.  
of Human Resources  
Steve Markley, Chief of Benefits, Dept. of  
Human Resources

Others attending: See attached list

The committee considered the reappointment of Douglas C. Brush, member, Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation Board of Directors, term expiring (Attachment 1).

Senator Barone questioned if the position President of KTEC is subject to confirmation? Judy Krueger provided information from KTEC statutes and a copy of KSA 74-8101 which addresses the question. The KTEC Board of Directors conducted a national search to select the corporate president. The corporate president is not be a member of the board, serves at the pleasure of the board and is not subject to confirmation (Attachment 2).

Senator Brungardt moved, seconded by Senator Jenkins to confirm the reappointment of Douglas C. Brush, member of the Kansas Technology Enterprise Council (KTEC) board. Motion carried.

The committee considered the reappointment of David E. Shulenburg, member of Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation Board of Directors, term expiring (Attachment 3).

Senator Jordan moved, seconded by Senator Jenkins to confirm the reappointment of David E. Shulenburg, member of the Kansas Technology Enterprise Council (KTEC) board. Motion carried.

**HB 3021—Employment security law; calculation of base wage.**

Paul Bicknell, Chief of Contributions, Department of Human Resources, testified in support of **HB 3021** (Attachment 4).

Steve Markley, Chief of Benefits, Department of Human Resources, testified in support of **HB 3021** (Attachment 5).

Terry Leatherman, KCCI, testified in support of **HB 3021** stating the core of bill will extend benefits to individuals having a workman's compensation injury.

Wayne Michael, AFL-CIO, testified in support of HB 3021.

Senator Barone moved, seconded by Senator Emler that **HB 3021** be recommended favorably for passage and placed on the consent calendar. Motion carried.

There being no further conferees wishing to testify on **HB 3021**, the hearing was closed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 a.m.