

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clark Shultz at 3:30 P.M. on February 20, 2008 in Room 527-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Tom Burroughs- excused  
Representative Richard Carlson- excused  
Representative Nile Dillmore- excused  
Representative Mike Kiegerl- excused

Committee staff present:

Melissa Calderwood, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Terri Weber, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes Office  
Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes Office  
Sue Fowler, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Derrick Sontag, National Federation of Independent Business  
Larry Magill, Kansas Association of Insurance Agents  
Ken Daniel, KsSmallBiz.com  
Tim Witsman, Wichita Independent Business Association & Kansas Independent Business  
Marlee Carpenter, Kansas Chamber  
Richard Cram, Department of Revenue  
Rep. Anthony Brown, District #38  
Jamie Corkhill, Social Rehabilitation Services  
April Holman, Kansas Action for Children  
John Ostrowski, Kansas AFL-CIO  
Jeff Cooper, Kansas Association for Justice

Others attending:

See attached list.

Representative Landwehr briefed the committee on **HB 2769**.

Hearing on:

**HB 2822**      **Small employer health insurance; exemption from mandates, section 125 plan; tax credit**

Melissa Calderwood, Legislative Research Department, provided a brief overview on **HB 2822**.

Proponents:

Derrick Sontag, National Federation of Independent Business, (Attachment #1), presented testimony before the committee in support of **HB 2822**.

Larry Magill, Kansas Association of Insurance Agents, (Attachment #2), gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB 2822**.

Ken Daniel, KsSmallBiz.com, (Attachment #3), appeared before the committee in support of **HB 2822**.

Tim Witsman, Wichita Independent Business Association and Kansas Independent Business, (Attachment #4), presented testimony before the committee in support of **HB 2822**.

Marlee Carpenter, Kansas Chamber, (Attachment #5), presented written testimony in support of **HB 2822**.

Opponent:

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Richard Cram, Department of Revenue, (Attachment #6), appeared before the committee in opposition to **HB 2822**.

Hearing was closed on **HB 2822**.

Hearing on:

**HB 2904**      **Child support enforcement, insurance payments**

Melissa Calderwood, Legislative Research Department, provided a brief overview on **HB 2904**.

Proponents:

Representative Anthony Brown, District #38, (Attachment #7), presented testimony before the committee in support of **HB 2904**.

Jamie Corkhill, Social Rehabilitation Services, (Attachment #8), gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB 2904**.

April Holman, Kansas Action for Children, (Attachment #9), presented written testimony in support of **HB 2904**.

Opponents:

John Ostrowski, Kansas AFL-CIO, (Attachment #10), appeared before the committee in opposition to **HB 2904**.

Jeff Cooper, Kansas Association for Justice, (Attachment #11), appeared before the committee in opposition to **HB 2904**.

Hearing was closed on **HB 2904**.

Representative Grant moved without objection the committee minutes of February 19, 2008 be accepted.

Next meeting will be Thursday, February 21, 2008, 3:30 PM, in Room 527-S.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM.