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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anthony Brown at 2:02 p.m. on January 26, 2012, in Room 785 of Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:

Representative Gene Sullentrop Excused

Committee staff present:

Chuck Reimer, Revisor
Ken Wilke, Revisor
Raney Gilliland, Research
Reed Holwegner, Research
Joyce Bishop, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Ron Hein, Legislative Counsel, Associated Builders & Contractors, Heart of America Chapter
Jim Kistler, Associated Builders & contractors, Heart of America Chapter
Parker Young, Vice President, Straub Construction
Daniel Murray, Kansas State Director, National Federation of Independent Business
Eric Stafford, Senior Director of Government Affairs, Kansas Chamber
Paul Graves, University of Kansas
Brian Dietz, Associated Counsel, J.E. Dunn
Brian Threadgold, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
Bob Jacobi, Executive Director, Labor-Management Council
Trudy Aron, Hon. AIA, CAE
Ty Dragoo, Director, United Transportation Union
Joe Hudson, Business Agent/ Organizer, Carpenter's District Council of St. Louis & Vicinity
Andy Sanchez, Exec. Sec-Treasurer, KS AFL-CIO
Eric King, Director of Facilities, KS Board of Regents
Mark R. Nidiffer, Business Manager, Laborers Local 1290
Terry Akins, President, Greater Kansas City Building and Construction trades Council, AFL-CIO

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairperson Brown opened the hearing on **HB 2515–Competitive Bid Protection Act.**

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The following conferees appeared as Proponents for **HB 2515**:

Ron Hein, Legislative Counsel, Associated Builders & Contractors, Heart of America Chapter ([Attachment 1](#))

Jim Kistler, Associated Builders & contractors, Heart of America Chapter ([Attachment 2](#))

Parker Young, Vice President, Straub Construction, Shawnee, KS ([Attachment 3](#))

Daniel Murray, Kansas State Director, National Federation of Independent Business ([Attachment 4](#))

The following conferee provided written-only testimony as Proponents for **HB 2515**:

Eric Stafford, Senior Director of Government Affairs, Kansas Chamber ([Attachment 5](#))

The following conferees appeared as Opponents for **HB 2515**:

Paul Graves, University of Kansas ([Attachment 6](#))

Brian Dietz, Associated Counsel, J.E. Dunn ([Attachment 9](#))

Brian Threadgold, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers ([Attachment 10](#))

Bob Jacobi, Executive Director, Labor-Management Council ([Attachment 11](#))

Trudy Aron, Hon. AIA, CAE ([Attachment 12](#))

The following conferees provided written-only testimony as opponents for **HB 2515**:

Ty Drago, Director, United Transportation Union ([Attachment 7](#))

Joe Hudson, Business Agent/ Organizer, Carpenter's District Council of St. Louis & Vicinity ([Attachment 8](#))

Andy Sanchez, Exec. Sec-Treasurer, KS AFL-CIO ([Attachment 13](#))

Eric King, Director of Facilities, KS Board of Regents ([Attachment 14](#))

Mark R. Nidiffer, Business Manager, Laborers Local 1290 ([Attachment 15](#))

Terry Akins, President, Greater Kansas City Building and Construction trades Council, AFL-CIO ([Attachment 16](#))

| Reed Holwegner distributed the Fiscal Note for **HB 2515** ([Attachment 17](#)).

Chairperson Brown opened the floor for questions and answers at the end of the conferee's presentations.

Chairperson Brown said bills have been slow in coming to the committee, but they will be added to the agenda as soon as possible. Members should be sure to watch for agenda revisions. Bill topics that may be scheduled for hearing before the committee include **HB 2532—Creating classes of licenses to sell alcoholic beverages at retail; fees, term and eligibility,**

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HB 2531–Workers compensation and employment security boards nominating committee. and possibly an immigration bill. He is expecting **HB 2531** may be heard on Thursday, February 2nd.

He reminded all attendees wishing to testify before the committee to have 35 copies to the Committee Assistant and to be sure to notify her of their intent to testify 24 hours in advance of the hearing.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:30pm.