

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE PENSIONS & BENEFITS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mitch Holmes at 9:05 a.m. on March 7, 2011, in Room 142-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Charlie Roth - Excused

Committee staff present:

Gordon Self, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
David Wiese, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Michael Steiner, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Darla Conner, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Kenneth Daniel, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Midway Wholesale
Dave Trabert, President, Kansas Policy Institute
Terry Forsyth, Coalition for Keeping the Kansas Promise
Ron Gardner, The Kansas Coalition of Public Retirees
Diane Gjerstad, Wichita Public Schools USD 259

Others attending:

See attached list.

David Wiese, Office of the Revisor of Statutes, circulated to the committee members a bill briefing on **HB 2311**.

Hearing on:

HB 2311 - Enacting the Kansas public employees retirement system defined contribution act.

Proponents:

Kenneth Daniel, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Midway Wholesale, (Attachment 1), appeared before the committee in support of **HB 2311**.

Dave Trabert, President, Kansas Policy Institute, (Attachment 2), gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB 2311**.

Karl Peterjohn, Third District Sedgwick County Commissioner, (Attachment 3), presented written testimony in support of **HB 2311**.

John R. Todd, Wichita, Kansas, (Attachment 4), presented written testimony in support of **HB 2311**.

Opponents:

Terry Forsyth, Coalition for Keeping the Kansas Promise, (Attachment 5), presented testimony before the committee in opposition to **HB 2311**.

Ron Gardner, The Kansas Coalition of Public Retirees, (Attachment 6), gave testimony before the committee in opposition to **HB 2311**.

Gary D. Adkins, Executive Director of State Employees Association of Kansas, (Attachment 7), presented written testimony in opposition to **HB 2311**.

There being no further conferees, the hearing on **HB 2311** was closed.

Hearing on:

HB 2333 - Normal retirement date under KPERS.

Opponents:

Terry Forsyth, Coalition for Keeping the Kansas Promise, (Attachment 8), appeared before the committee in opposition to **HB 2333**.

Diane Gjerstad, Wichita Public Schools USD 259, (Attachment 9), gave testimony before the committee in opposition to **HB 2333**.

CONTINUATION SHEET

The minutes of the House Pensions & Benefits Committee at 9:05 a.m. on March 7 , 2011, in Room 142-S of the Capitol.

Hearing closed on **HB 2333**.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 9, 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.