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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Hayzlett at 1:30 p.m. on January 25, 2012, in Room 783 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except Representatives Bob Grant, Jerry Henry and Jerry Williams.

Committee staff present:

Scott Wells, Office of the Revisor of Statutes

Jill Shelley, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Betty Boaz, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Others attending.

See attached list.

Chairman Hayzlett opened the meeting and asked for bill introductions.

Tom Whitaker came forward to ask for a bill to eliminate the motor carrier property tax and restructure how Kansas taxes all commercial vehicles. Mr. Whitaker said the proposed legislation is a collaboration between the Kansas Motor Carriers Association and the Department of Revenue. *Representative Swanson made a motion to introduce this bill, seconded by Representative Wolfe and the motion carried.*

There were no other bill introductions.

Chairman Hayzlett introduced Donna Shelite, the new Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles, Kansas Department of Revenue.

The Chairman then recognized Dennis Slimmer, Chief of Transportation Planning with KDOT, who gave a briefing on the "Expanded Passenger Rail Service in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas." (Attachment #1)

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After all questions had been answered, Chairman Hayzlett thanked Mr. Slimmer for the briefing.

The Chairman recognized Shelby Smith, who made several comments pertaining to the Passenger Rail Service Development Plan.

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.

