

MINUTES OF THE SENATE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Brungardt at 10:30 a.m. on March 8, 2011, in Room 144-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Jason Long, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Doug Taylor, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Connie Burns, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Representative Mario Goico
Representative Tom Sloan
Pam Scott, Kansas Funeral Directors Association
Ed Pavey, Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center

Others attending:

See attached list.

HB 2060--Recognizing the primacy of decisions written by a member of the military on the federal DD form 93

Chairman Brungardt opened the hearings on **HB 2060**

Staff provided an overview of the bill.

Representative Mario Goico spoke in favor of the bill. (Attachment 1) The passage of the bill will make the laws of the state conform with DOD rules on disposal of remains by recognizing the DD Form 93 in KSA 65-1734. This form is filed by the military member before each deployment and at a minimum, once a year. The service member can change this form at any time to ensure the direct disposition of their remains and to designate the beneficiaries of their Service Members Group Life Insurance. This form usually represents the last wishes of the service member and is updated on a regular basis so as to be more current than a durable power of attorney.

Representative Tom Sloan presented written testimony in support of the bill by: Martin L. Dempsey, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense, Military Community and Family Policy, (Attachment 2) which stated the request will ensure that the DD Form 93 is consulted and viewed as the legally sufficient document for designating a PADD; and John Armbrust, Executive Director, Governor's Military Council, (Attachment 3) to comport state laws with DoD rules on disposal of remains by recognizing DD Form 93 in KSA 65-1734.

Written testimony was provided in support of the bill by Major General Lee Tafanelli, Kansas Adjutant General, who stated the bill goes a long way in helping clear up questions about order of precedence regarding who actually makes decisions for the deceased. (Attachment 4)

Pam Scott, Executive Director, Kansas Funeral Directors Association, appeared neutral with an amendment. (Attachment 5) The language of the proposed amendment to the bill would keep the agent appointed pursuant to a durable power of attorney first on the priority list; and the DD Form 93 should be placed as the second priority group.

Chairman Brungardt closed the hearing on **HB 2060**

CONTINUATION SHEET

The minutes of the Federal and State Committee at 10:30 a.m. on March 8, 2011, in Room 144-S of the Capitol.

HB 2001--Local law enforcement training reimbursement fund; expenditures approved by commission on peace officers' standards and training

Chairman Brungardt opened the hearings on **HB 2001**

Staff provided an overview of the bill.

Ed H.Pavey, Director, Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center, (KLETC) spoke in favor of the bill. (Attachment 6) The bill shifts the control of the fund from the KLETC and the University of Kansas to the KSCPOST. The change of account assignment remedies an oversight from the 2006 legislation. **HB 2001** is the language that the Revisor's Office determined was necessary to give the DOA the authority to reassign the fund to the KSCPOST.

Ed Klumpp, Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Sheriffs Association, Kansas Peace Officers Association, provided written testimony in support of the bill. (Attachment 7)

Chairman Brungardt closed the hearing on **HB 2001**.

Final Action:

SB 201-- Bingo games; prize limits, time, location and conduct of games

Senator Longbine provided an amendment with clean up items on the bill. (Attachment 8) On page 5 line 39 add per volunteer after \$10; page 10 line 2, add "the first regular or special game of call bingo operated or conducted by the licensee for such session" inserted after to; line 3 change first to last, and line 8 change Kansas register to statute book.

Senator Longbine moved the amendment. Senator Reitz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Senator Reitz moved to pass **SB 201** out favorably as amended. Senator Longbine seconded the motion. The motion carried.

HB 2001--Local law enforcement training reimbursement fund; expenditures approved by commission on peace officers' standards and training

Senator Abrams moved to pass **HB 2001** out favorably. Senator Owens seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 9, 2011. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.