

Approved: February 16, 2012

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Vicki Schmidt at 1:30 p.m. on January 30, 2012 in Room 546-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Mary Pilcher-Cook, excused

Committee staff present:

Nobuko Folmsbee, Office of the Revisor of Statutes

Renae Jefferies, Office of the Revisor of Statutes

Iraida Orr, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Melissa Calderwood, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Carolyn Long, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Debra Billingsley, Director, Kansas Board of Pharmacy

Others attending:

See attached list.

The Chair opened the hearing on **SB 324—Board of pharmacy; pharmacist license and pharmacist intern registration**. Staff noted that **SB 324** would change the expiration date of licenses, registrations, and permits authorized by the Board of Pharmacy to a date established through rules and regulations adopted by the Board. It would allow the Board to collect fees year round rather than on specific dates set in statute. It would require registrants and licensees to renew by the expiration date.

The bill would also remove a provision that allows a single registration for a business entity to manufacture drugs that operate more than one facility within the state, or for a parent entity with divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliate companies, when operations are conducted at more than one location and there exists joint ownership and control among all of the entities.

It would also make it unlawful for any person to function as a pharmacist intern without first being registered with the Board with registrations valid for six years. Pharmacist interns would be required to provide the name and address of each new employer to the Executive Secretary of the Board within 30 days of new employment. The Board would also be authorized to suspend or temporarily limit the registration of any pharmacist intern in accordance with the emergency adjudicative proceedings under the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act if the Board determines that there is cause to believe that grounds exist for disciplinary action. Each pharmacy would be required to maintain a list of the names of pharmacist interns employed by the pharmacy and the intern would be required to work under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist.

CONTINUATION SHEET

The minutes of the Public Health and Welfare Committee at 1:30 p.m. on January 30, 2012, in Room 5460-S of the Capitol.

Debra Billingsley, on behalf of the Kansas Board of Pharmacy, reiterated the information shared by staff and added that the Board would also like to clean up fee language so that the Board is not required to charge the maximum amount but may charge up to the maximum amount (Attachment #1).

There being no further discussion, the Chair closed the hearing on **SB 324**.

The Chair then called for final action on **SB 303—Disposition of unclaimed cremated cremains; veterans cremated cremains**. *It was moved by Senator Kelsey, seconded by Senator Reitz to recommend **SB 303** as technically amended favorably for passage. Motion carried.*

The next meeting is scheduled for January 31, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.