

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Gary Hayzlett at 2:15 p.m. on March 19, 2002 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except
Representative Ballou, excused:
Representative Beggs, excused
Representative Huy, excused
Representative Powers, excused

Committee staff present:
Bruce Kinzie, Office of the Revisor
Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department
Ellie Luthye, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:
Sheila Walker, Director, Division of Vehicles
Ron Gaches, Experian

Others attending:
See attached sheet

SB 391 - failure to comply with traffic citation

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Chairman Hayzlett opened hearings on **SB 391**. Sheila Walker, Director, Division of Vehicles, said that under current law the Division of Vehicles shall notify the violator, upon receipt of a report of a failure to comply with a traffic citation, and suspend his or her driver's license. However, many times licensees, or their attorney, assume their driving privileges are immediately restored upon compliance with the court but the division cannot reinstate the driving privileges until they receive notification from the court. She proposed language on Lines 36 and 37 of the bill read: "upon receipt of notification of such compliance from the informing court the division of vehicles shall terminate the suspension or suspension action". (Attachment 1)

There were no other proponents and no opponents. Chairman Hayzlett closed hearings on **SB 391**.

SB 410 - division of vehicles, motor vehicle records

Chairman Hayzlett opened hearings on **SB 410**. Sheila Walker, Director, Division of Vehicles, told the committee there are two significant changes this bill would make to existing law: 1) allow motor vehicle records to be provided where there is a "proper judicial order" and 2) allow motor vehicle records to be provided to state and federal agencies at administrative cost to help them carry out their functions. She then explained how each of these changes would improve the efficiency of supplying these records. She also listed three other minor points of clarification in the bill. (Attachment 2)

Ron Gaches Emperian, stated they compile and maintain a database of motor vehicle information from all 51 U.S. jurisdictions, including Kansas. Information from this database is frequently used by various government agencies to perform statutory and assigned functions and to enforce state laws. He said most states have reciprocity rules allowing out-of-state government agencies to access compiled records within Experian's database. However, Kansas law does not allow its records to be shared with out-of-state jurisdictions by a third party vendor such as Experian. Therefore, Experian is requesting an amendment which would allow all federal, state and local government agencies access to Kansas' motor vehicle records through the Experian database to be added to Section (D). (Attachment 3)

Mr. Gaches then requested the committee defer action on this bill until Experian and the Division of Vehicles could work out some differences in the wording of this amendment.

There were no other proponents and no opponents. Chairman Hayzlett closed hearings on **SB 410**.

SB 449 - electronic certificates of title

Chairman Hayzlett opened **SB 449** for discussion and final action. Representative Pauls made a motion to pass SB 449 favorably, seconded by Representative Levinson and the motion carried.

SB 624 - providing for a choose life license plate

Chairman Hayzlett opened **SB 624** for discussion and final action. Representative Pauls made a motion to pass SB 624 favorably, seconded by Representative Howell. Following discussion a voice vote was taken and Chairman Hayzlett asked for a hand vote as he was undecided as to the outcome. 9 voted "aye" and 9 voted "nay" with the Chairman voting "aye" to break the tie. SB 624 passed favorably.

The minutes for the House Transportation Committee for March 13th and March 14th were presented for corrections or approval. Representative Dillmore made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Representative Levinson and the motion carried.

Chairman Hayzlett adjourned the meeting of the House Transportation Committee at 3:05 p.m. The next meeting of the Committee will be Wednesday, March 20th.