

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lana Gordon at 3:30 P.M. on March 21, 2006 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Audrey Dunkel, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Kathie Sparks, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Renaë Jefferies, Revisor of Statutes
Helen Pedigo, Revisor of Statutes
Carlene Maag, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

See attached list.

A motion was made by Representative Wolf, and seconded by Representative Grange to approve the minutes from the meetings of March 7, 9, 14, 16. A vote was taken, motion passed..

HB 2194 - State workforce investment program, state and local boards membership, older Kansans designated special target population

HB 2993 - Workforce development, senior citizen training program

Representative Huntington gave a report of the Sub-committee on **HB 2194**. The Sub-committee met with Executive Directors from four of the five WIA regions. The Sub-committee recommended taking no action on **HB 2194** and to amend **HB 2993** to include:

- Coordinate efforts for programs with AAA and OKEP representatives
- Designate target areas for funding and include the funding source
- Define and develop programs and training for older Kansans
- Outline plans to communicate and market developed plans to older Kansans (Attachment 1).

A motion was made by Representative Huntington and seconded by Representative Horst to adopt the sub-committee report on **HB 2194**. A vote was taken, motion passed.

A motion was made by Representative Huntington and seconded by Representative Carlson to adopt the balloon on **HB 2993**. A vote was taken, motion passed.

Representative Loganbill suggested some grammatical clean-up to the balloon. Line 9, should be “Kansans” and line 13 should be “Kansan.” (Attachment 2)

Representative Huntington moved and Representative Burroughs seconded that the content of **HB 2993** be amended into **SB 260** A vote was taken, motion carried.

Representative O’Malley moved and Representative Huntington seconded that **Sub HB 2993** be reported favorable for passage. A vote was taken, motion passed.

SB 324 - Abolishing the Kansas community entrepreneurship fund

Staff gave an overview of **SB 324**. This bill would increase the rural Business Development Tax Credit and the Kansas Community Entrepreneurship Tax Credit from 50 percent to 75 percent. The bill would allow the increased credit to be retroactive to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2003.

A motion was made by Chairperson Gordon and seconded by Representative Carlin to amend **SB 324** as shown in the proposed amendment (Attachment 3)

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE House Economic Development Committee at 3:30 P.M. on March 21, 2006 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

A motion was made by Representative Huntington and seconded by Representative Grange to move **SB 324** favorable for passage as amended. A vote was taken, motion passed..

Staff gave an overview of the legislation proposed by Representative Huntington. This legislation would create a Joint Committee on Bioscience Oversight within the legislative branch of state government. It is patterned after the Joint Committee of Health Policy Oversight. There would be twelve members. Six from the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house, and six from the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

The chairperson of the Joint Committee on Bioscience Oversight shall be appointed for a term of one year which ends on the first day of the next occurring regular session of the legislature. The vice-chairperson shall be appointed for a term of one year which ends on the first day of the next occurring regular session of the legislature.

The Joint Committee on Bioscience Oversight shall have the exclusive responsibility to monitor and study the operations and decisions of the Kansas bioscience authority. (Attachment 4)

A motion was made by Representative Huntington and seconded by Representative Carlin to remove the contents of **SB 1** and replace it with the proposed legislation. A vote was taken, motion carried.

A motion was made by Representative Huntington and seconded by Representative Horst to pass out favorable **Sub SB 1**. A vote was taken, motion passed.

Committee was provided with information showing the Rural Business Development Tax Credit Program Regional Foundation (Attachment 5) and the Tax Credit Allocation Plan (Attachment 6).

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.