

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE INSURANCE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clark Shultz at 3:30 P.M. on February 21, 2006 in Room 527-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Melissa Calderwood, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Terri Weber, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes Office
Sue Fowler, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Lew Ebert, Kansas Chamber of Commerce, Topeka, KS
Wendy Harms, Kansas Aggregate Producers Association, Topeka, KS
Ken Daniel, KsSmallBiz.com, Topeka, KS
Dave Hanson, Property Casualty Insurers Association of America, Topeka, KS
Corey Peterson, Associated General Contractors of Kansas, Inc., Topeka, KS
John Klamann, Kansas Trial Lawyers Association, Overland Park, KS
Callie Denton, Kansas Trial Lawyers Association, Topeka, KS
Jim DeHoff, Kansas-American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations, Topeka

Others attending:

See attached list.

Representative Grant recommended without objection the committee members approve the committee minutes of February 16, 2006.

Discussion and action on:

HB 2159: Consumer protection; car rental agreements

Representative Dillmore moved to adopt the balloon amendment to **HB 2159**. Seconded by Representative Carter. Motion carried. Representative Dillmore moved to recommend **HB 2159** favorable for passage as amended. Seconded by Representative Carter. Motion carried. Representative Mitch Holmes will carry the bill.

HB 2858: Service contract - definition

Representative Carter moved to adopt the balloon amendment to **HB 2858**. Seconded by Representative Dillmore. Motion carried. Representative Carter moved to recommend **HB 2858** favorably for passage as amended. Seconded by Representative Schwab. Motion carried. Representative Trimmer will carry the bill.

SB 207: Insurance department; fraud prevention program

Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes Office, gave a brief overview of **SB 207**.

Representative Dillmore recommended **SB 207** be amended and designated as House Substitute for **SB 207**. Seconded by Representative Schwab. Motion carried. Representative Dillmore recommended **SB 207** favorable for passage as amended. Seconded by Representative Carter. Motion carried. Representative Shultz will carry the bill.

Continued hearing on:

HB 2868: Enacting the asbestos and silica compensation fairness act

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Proponents:

Wendy Harms, Kansas Aggregate Producers Association, (Attachment #1), gave testimony in support of **HB 2868**.

Lew Ebert, Kansas Chamber of Commerce, (Attachment #2), presented testimony in support of **HB 2868**.

Ken Daniel, KsSmallBiz.com, (Attachment #3), appeared before the committee in support of **HB 2868**.

Dave Hanson, Property Casualty Insurers Association of America, (Attachment #4), presented written testimony in support of **HB 2868**.

Corey Peterson, Associated General Contractors of Kansas, Inc., (Attachment #5), presented written testimony in support of **HB 2868**.

Opponents:

John Klamann, Kansas Trial Lawyers Association, (Attachment #6), appeared before the committee in opposition to **HB 2868**.

Callie Denton, Kansas Trial Lawyers Association, (Attachment #7), gave testimony in opposition to **HB 2868**.

Jim DeHoff, Kansas-American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations, (Attachment #8), presented written testimony in opposition to **HB 2868**.

Hearing closed on **HB 2868**.

Discussion and action on:

HB 2659: Title insurance - title examination standards for title insurance policies

Matthew Goddard, Heartland Community Bankers Association, gave a brief overview regarding language in a proposed amendment for **HB 2659**

Representative Schwab moved to adopt proposed amendment for **HB 2659**. Seconded by Representative Kelsey. Motion carried. Representative Dillmore moved to recommend **HB 2659** favorable for passage as amended. Seconded by Representative Schwab. Motion carried. Representative Kelsey will carry the bill.

HB 2771: Insurance agents; disciplinary actions by another state for failure to pay income tax in such state

Representative Peck moved to adopt the balloon amendment to **HB 2771**. Seconded by Representative Schwab. Motion carried. Representative Peck recommended **HB 2771** favorable for passage as amended. Seconded by Representative Carter. Motion carried. Representative Peck will carry the bill.

HB 2690: Motorists - suspension of driver's license until damage judgment paid

Representative Carter moved to adopt the balloon amendment as substitute for **HB 2690**. Seconded by Representative B. Sharp. Motion carried. Representative Carter moved to recommend **HB 2690** favorable for passage as amended. Seconded by Representative B. Sharp. Motion carried. Representative Schwab will carry the bill.

HB 2868: Enacting the asbestos and silica compensation fairness act

Representative Dillmore moved to table **HB 2868**. Seconded by Representative Kirk. Motion carried. A division was requested. The motion passed with a 6 to 5 vote. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

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Next meeting will be posted at a later date.