

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brenda Landwehr at 1:30 P.M. on March 22, 2007 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Clark Shultz- excused

Jeff Colyer - excused

Committee staff present:

Jason Thompson, Revisor's Office

Renae Jefferies, Revisor's Office

Melissa Calderwood, Legislative Research

Mary Galligan, Legislative Research

Tatiana Lin, Legislative Research

Patti Magathan, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

John Peterson, representing Kansas Speech-Language-Hearing Association

Sue McKenna - Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services

Others Attending:

See Attached List.

Chair Landwehr opened the floor to continue work on **SB 201**. She announced that the committee had several amendments in front of them, and asked the committee to address the amendment proposed by Kansas Department of Health and Environment (K.D.H.E.). (Attachment 1)

Representative Flaharty motioned to approve the amendment as presented, which was seconded by Representative Storm. Motion carried.

Chair Landwehr then announced that there were amendments on **SB 201** proposed by Social and Rehabilitative Services and Kansas Department of Health and Environment (S.R.S.) and K.D.H.E. (Attachment 2)

Sue McKenna of Social and Rehabilitative Services reviewed these changes. Representative Neighbor moved to adopt the amendments outlined in attachment 2. Motion seconded by Representative Mast. Motion carried.

Representative Mast moved to pass **SB 201** as amended including technical amendments by revisors. (Attachment 3) Seconded by Representative Neighbor. Motion carried.

Chair Landwehr opened the floor for hearings on Hearing on **SB 368 - Professional corporations, allowing licensed audiologists to form.**

Proponent **John Peterson**, representing the Kansas Speech-Language-Hearing Association said that this bill would add a licensed audiologist and a licensed speech pathologist to the Professional Organization Code, allowing them to organize as a professional corporation. The bill would provide additional options to those practicing these professions. (Attachment 4)

Written testimony provided from Triplett, Woolf & Garretson, LLC, Wichita which said that their clients strongly support passage of this bill. (Attachment 5)

Revisor Renae Jeffries requested technical amendments.

Representative Neighbor motioned that the requested changes be adopted. Second by Representative Metsker. Motion carried.

CONTINUATION SHEET

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Chair Landwehr closed the hearings on **SB 368** and asked if there were objections to working the bill. There were none.

Representative Storm moved that we passed **SB 368** favorably as amended. Second by Representative Metsker. Motion carried.

Chair Landwehr then invited Representative Patton to present the subcommittee report on **SB 138 - Autism task force**. Representative Patton announced that the report was presented in a balloon amendment. (Attachment 6) He motioned that the committee adopt the committee report as amended. Motion seconded by Representative Mast. Motion carried.

Representative Mast moved to strike line 3-4 on page 3. Second by Representative Landwehr.

Following a discussion on wording, Legislative Researcher Melissa Calderwood suggested wording that adds the language “benefits currently available for services provided to children with autism” on lines 3-4. The balloon “by other third party payers” would be deleted. Representative Mast withdrew her motion. Representative Landwehr withdrew her second.

Representative Neighbor moved that the changes on lines 3 and 4 as presented be adopted. Second was by Representative Mast. Motion carried.

Representative Patton motioned to adopt the balloon amendment number three (Attachment 7) which added an additional parent, bringing total to 21 member. Representative Metsker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Representative Storm motioned to move her amendment (Attachment 8) as presented, which deleted the Capper Foundation from the membership list. Motion seconded by Representative Flaharty. Voice vote was unclear so division was requested. Aye was 8 and Nay was 9. Motion failed.

Representative Patton presented balloon amendment 1 (Attachment 9) which deletes the autism registry. A motion was made by Representative Patton to adopt balloon amendment 1. Motion seconded by Representative Mast. Following discussion, Representatives Patton and Mast withdrew their motions.

Representative Trimmer moved to change the word “creation” on line 5 to “study and discussion” of an autism registry.” Motion seconded by Representative Patton. Motion carried.

Representative Crum motioned to delete item B, page 3, part 5. Motion seconded by Representative Patton. Motion carried.

Representative Mast motioned to pass **SB 138** as amended favorable for passage. Motion seconded by Representative Kiegerl. Motion carried.

Chair Landwehr announced that this concludes our business for she and thanked the committee for their hard work. She asked members to take their folders when they leave. She then adjourned the meeting at 3:07 P.M.