

MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson John Vratil at 9:39 a.m. on February 6, 2001 in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Mike Heim, Research
Mary Blair, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Lesla Roberts, Director of Health Occupations Credentialing, KDHE

Others attending: see attached list

Minutes of the February 5, 2001 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Senator Donovan and seconded by Senator Adkins. Carried.

The Chair assigned subcommittees and distributed a list of chairs, members and bills to be heard. (attachment 1) He further distributed information regarding amendments to holiday proclamation statutes compiled and written at the request of the Chair by Intern Mike Book (attachment 2)

SB 103—re: home health agencies; concerning employment of persons by such providers

SB 104—re: adult care homes; concerning employment of persons by such providers

Conferee Roberts testified in support of **SB 103** and **SB 104**, bills which she stated were introduced to accomplish several improvements to the Criminal Background Check programs for adult care (AC) homes and home health care (HHC) agencies. **SB 103** relates to AC home operators and **SB 104** relates to HHC agencies operators. She detailed five improvements recommended by a task force which met this summer to discuss industry needs. Following in-depth discussion by Committee and apparent confusion regarding intent of or necessity for the bills the Chair assigned both bills to a subcommittee chaired by Senator Schmidt.

SB 66—concerning CINC; technical amendment

The Chair reviewed **SB 66**. Senator Pugh moved the bill be passed out favorably and placed on the consent calendar, Senator Haley seconded. Carried.

SB 67—DUI alcohol or drugs; concerning penalties

The Chair reviewed **SB 67**. Following in-depth discussion by Committee and uncertainty relating to several issues concerning the bill including the wording of a similar un-passed bill addressing this issue last year, Senator Pugh offered to write an explanation of the current statute and report back to Committee.

SB 97—concerning signing of certain documents issued or made by the governor

The Chair reviewed **SB 97**. Following discussion, Senator Adkins moved to amend the bill to read at line 17 signed by the governor “or in the absence of the governor, the lieutenant governor, or in the absence of both, a person designated by the governor in writing” and deleting the remainder of the paragraph, Senator Haley seconded. Carried. Senator Oleen moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended, Senator Goodwin seconded. Carried.

SB 98—concerning publication of proclamations issued by the governor

The Chair reviewed the bill. After brief discussion Senator Oleen moved to pass the bill out favorably, Senator Goodwin seconded. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. The next meeting is February 7, 2001.