

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Melvin Neufeld at 6:50 P.M. on March 23, 2006 in Room 514-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Alan Conroy, Legislative Research Department
J. G. Scott, Legislative Research Department
Becky Krahl, Legislative Research Department
Audrey Dunkel, Legislative Research Department
Susan Kannaar, Legislative Research Department
Jim Wilson, Revisor of Statutes
Mike Corrigan, Revisor of Statutes
Nikki Feuerborn, Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

- Attachment 1 Draft copy of **H Sub for SB 84**
- Attachment 2 Correspondence on **H Sub for SB 84** from Barbara Atkinson, Executive Vice Chancellor, University of Kansas
- Attachment 3 Subcommittee report on Level V and Level VI Issues

Discussion and Action on H Sub for SB 84 - Umbilical cord banks, guidelines and facilitation, functions of department of health and environment and Kansas bioscience authority.

A draft copy of House Substitute for SB 84 was distributed to the Committee (Attachment 1).

Representative Feuerborn moved to change language in Section 1 (b) and (f) from "shall" to "may". The motion was seconded by Representative Lane. Motion carried.

A copy of correspondence was distributed to the Committee, from Barbara Atkinson, Executive Vice Chancellor, University of Kansas, which indicates that while the University is supportive of research, they do not support this legislation at this time (Attachment 2).

The Committee voiced some concerns about giving the authority on research to the Kansas Bioscience Authority, whose administrative agent is Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation (KTEC). It was noted that they have not taken a position on the legislation at this time.

Representative Landwehr moved to move language in Section 1 (g), beginning after the last comma "that complies with the high standards of the Kansas bioscience authority" to the end of Section 1 (f) after the word "research". The motion was seconded by Representative Pilcher-Cook. Motion carried.

Responding to a question from the Committee concerning language in the legislation referring to high standards, Chairman Neufeld stated that these standards refer to the standards set for KTEC and the Kansas Bioscience Authority in the bio-science law.

Representative Pilcher-Cook moved to recommend **House Substitute for SB 84** favorable for passage as amended and allow for technical corrections. The motion was seconded by Representative Weber. Motion carried.

Discussion on Level V & Level VI Services:

Susan Kannarr, Legislative Research Department, presented a report from the Subcommittee on Level V and Level VI Services (Attachment 3). The report includes information that has been requested from the various agencies affected by this issue. It is the intent of the Subcommittee to

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meet against at Omnibus after they receive the requested information and continue discussion on the issues of mission, goals, purpose of services, State Plan issues and length of stay issues.

The Subcommittee indicated that it may be necessary to revisit the funding issue at Omnibus.

Discussion on SB 327 - Creating the office of inspector general within the Kansas health policy authority.

The Subcommittee on **SB 327** did not have a report at this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held on "call of the chair".

Melvin Neufeld, Chairman