

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE INSURANCE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clark Shultz at 3:30 P.M. on January 19, 2006 in Room 527-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Scott Schwab- excused

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:

Jarrold Forbes, Kansas Department of Insurance, Topeka, KS

Representative Stephanie Sharp, District 26, Lenexa, KS

Representative Rob Olson, District 26 Olathe, KS

Harlan Parker, State Farm Independent Agent, Olathe, KS

Bill Sneed, State Farm, Topeka, KS

Larry McGill, Kansas Association of Insurance Agents, Topeka, KS

Lee Wright, Farmers Insurance, Overland Park, KS

Tom Pollard, Farmers Insurance, Lawrence, KS

Lynn Stohs, Blue Valley Insurance Agency, Marysville, KS

Dave Monaghan, American Family, Jefferson City MO

Eileen King, Kansas County Treasurers Association, Manhattan, KS

Dave Hanson, Kansas Association of Property and Casualties Insurance Companies, Topeka, KS

James Hanni, AAA Kansas Region and Public Affairs, Topeka, KS

Carmen Alldritt, Kansas Department of Revenue, Topeka, KS

Herb Schwartz, Schwartz and Associates, Olathe, KS

Leroy Brungardt, Schwartz and Associates, Topeka, KS

Larry McGill, Kansas Association of Insurance Agents, Topeka, KS

Representative Mike Kiegerl, District 43, Olathe, KS

Others attending:

See attached list.

Introduction of Bills:

Jarrold Forbes, Kansas Department of Insurance, requested the following bill introductions: (Attachment #1).

Risk-based Capital

An annual bill requiring a simple date change.

HIPAA

Amend K.S.A. 40-2258 Technical HIPAA change.

HMO Continuation of Coverage

Amend K.S.A. 40-3209 to allow for coverage by replacement policies similar to language in K.S.A. 40-2209(i).

Representative Kelsey moved for the introduction of the bills. Seconded by Representative Carter. Motion carried.

Representative Stephanie Sharp, District 26, requested a bill introduction requiring that the drivers license of a motorist involved in an accident be suspended until damages are paid. Representative Carter moved for the introduction of the bill. Seconded by Representative Dillmore. Motion carried.

Hearing on:

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HB 2553: Motor vehicles; prohibition on renewal of drivers' licenses at locations where automobile insurance is sold.

Melissa Calderwood, Kansas Legislative Research Department, gave a brief overview of **HB 2553**.

Proponents:

Representative Rob Olson, State Legislator, District 26, (Attachment #2), appeared before the committee in support of **HB 2553**.

Harlan Parker, State Farm Independent Agent, (Attachment #3), gave testimony in support of **HB 2553**.

Jarrold Forbes, Kansas Department of Insurance, (Attachment #4), gave testimony in support of **HB 2553**.

Bill Sneed, State Farm, (Attachment #5), presented testimony in support of **HB 2553**.

Lee Wright, Farmers Insurance, (Attachment #6), appeared before the committee in support of **HB 2553**.

Tom Pollard, Farmers Insurance, (Attachment #7), gave testimony in support of **HB 2553**.

Larry McGill, Kansas Association of Insurance Agents, (Attachment #8), presented testimony in support of **HB 2553**.

Lynn Stohs, Blue Valley Insurance Agency, (Attachment #9), appeared before the committee in support of **HB 2553**.

Dave Monaghan, American Family, (Attachment #10), presented written testimony in support of **HB 2553**.

Eileen King, Kansas County Treasurers Association, (Attachment #11), presented written testimony in support of **HB 2553**.

Dave Hanson, Kansas Association of Property and Casualties Insurance Companies, (Attachment #12) presented written testimony in support of **HB 2553**.

Opponents:

James Hanni, AAA Kansas Region and Public Affairs, (Attachment #13), gave testimony in opposition of **HB 2553**.

Carmen Alldritt, Kansas Department of Revenue, (Attachment #14), gave testimony in opposition of **HB 2553**.

Hearing closed on **HB 2553**

Hearing on:

HB 2545: Insurance agent license renewal; eliminates CED requirement for agents at least 70 years old.

Melissa Calderwood, Kansas Legislative Research Department, gave a brief overview of **HB 2545**.

Proponents:

Representative Kregieal, District 43, introduced the following presenter.

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Herb Schwartz, Schwartz and Associates, (Attachment #15), gave tetimony in support of **HB 2545**.

Opponents:

Leroy Brungardt, Kansas Department of Insurance, (Attachment #16), appeared before the committee in opposition of **HB 2545**.

Larry McGill, Kansas Association of Insurance Agents, (Attachment #17), appeared before the committee in opposition of **HB 2545**.

Hearing held open for additional testimony on **HB 2545**.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 24, 2006, 3:30 P.M. in Room 527-S.

Meeting adjourned at 5:48 P.M.