

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE AGING & LONG-TERM CARE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Bethell at 9:00 am. on February 17, 2011, in Room 144-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Scott Schwab – absent
Representative Kay Wolf – excused
Representative Broderick Henderson – excused

Committee staff present:

Katherine McBride, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Iraida Orr, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Craig Callahan, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Evelyn Walters, Committee Assistant\

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Artis Perret, RN, Owner/Operator Heartland Haven Home Plus
Mitzi McFatrach, KS Advocates for Better Care
Cindy Luxem, Kansas Health Care Association

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairman Bethell opened meeting with Monte Coffman, Executive Director of Windsor Place, Coffeyville, KS presenting on results of the Telehealth Remote Monitoring pilot project. (Attachment 1) Representative Weber asked questions.

Chairman Bethell opened the Hearing on:

HB 2147 – Relating to the definition of a home plus residence or facility

Katherine McBride, Office of the Revisor of Statutes, reviewed the bill contents. Questions were asked by Representative Moore and Representative Weber.

Proponents:

Artis Perret, RN, Owner/Operator Heartland Haven Home Plus provided testimony. (Attachment 2). Questions were asked by Representative Vickrey and Representative Otto.

Written testimony was provided by:

M. Christy Jacks, RN, (Attachment 3). Myrna Schmidt, consumer, (Attachment 4). and Joe Ewert, KAHSA, (Attachment 5).

Opponent:

Mitzi McFatrach, KS Advocates for Better Care, provided testimony. (Attachment 6). Questions were asked by Representative Weber, Representative Moore, Representative Worley, and Representative Hill. Representative Hill requested additional information.

Neutral:

Cindy Luxem, Kansas Health Care Association, testified in support of the bill. (Attachment 7). Questions were asked by Representative Worley, Representative Otto and Chairman Bethell.

No other conferees on **HB 2147**.

Chairman Bethell closed the hearing on **HB 2147** at 9:45 am.

Chairman Bethell asked for discussion on how the committee desired to proceed. **Representative Otto moved to pass HB 2147, seconded by Representative Gonzales.** Before voting occurred, discussion and comments were presented by Representative Moore, Representative Weber, Representative Flaharty, Representative Hill, Representative Otto and Chairman Bethell.

On a tie vote HB 2147 remains in Committee.

CONTINUATION SHEET

Minutes of the House Aging & Long Term Care Committee at 9:00 am on February 17, 2011, in Room 144-S of the Capitol.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 22, 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am.