

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE AGING & LONG-TERM CARE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Bethell at 9:01 am. on February 22, 2011, in Room 144-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Scott Schwab – absent

Representative Kay Wolf – excused

Committee staff present:

Katherine McBride, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Iraida Orr, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Craig Callahan, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Estelle Montgomery, Fiscal Analyst, KLRD

Evelyn Walters, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Rocky Nichols, Executive Director, Disability Rights Center of KS

Tom Laing, Executive Director, Interhab, Inc.

Jane Rhys, Executive Director, Council on Developmental Disabilities

Tim Wood, Campaign Manager, End the Wait

Others attending:

See attached list.

Representative Hill moved to reconsider HB 2147, seconded by Representative Gonzales.

Representative Moore made comments. **Motion carries.**

Representative Vickrey moved to pass out favorably HB 2147, seconded by Representative Worley.

Comments were made by Representative Hill, Representative Weber, and Representative Kelly. Further information was provided by staff. **Motion carries.**

Chairman Bethell opened the Hearing on:

HB 2296 – Establishing the joint committee on oversight of the closure of the Kansas neurological institute.

Chairman Bethell made comments regarding purpose of this bill and the need to stay on task with the purpose of this bill.

Katherine McBride, Office of the Revisor of Statutes, reviewed the bill contents and the two balloon amendments. (Attachment 1) Chairman Bethell mentioned fiscal note attached to the bill.

Proponents:

Rocky Nichols, Executive Director, Disability Rights Center of KS provided testimony. (Attachment 2).

Questions were asked by Representative Kelly and Representative Worley.

Tom Laing, Interhab, Inc. provided testimony. (Attachment 3).

Jane Rhys, Executive Director, Council on Developmental Disabilities provided testimony. (Attachment 4). A question was asked by Representative Kelly. Comment by Chairman Bethell.

Tim Wood, Campaign Manager, End the Wait testified. (Attachment 5).

No other conferees on **HB 2296.**

Chairman Bethell closed the hearing on **HB 2296** at 9:50 am.

Chairman Bethell asked for discussion on this bill and how the committee desired to proceed.

Representative Hill moved to pass out favorably HB 2296, seconded by Representative Moore.

Discussion and questions were presented by Representative Gonzales and Representative Kelly.

Representative Weber moved a substitute motion to include the balloon amendments, seconded by Representative Vickrey.

Further discussion and questions by Representative Flaharty, Representative Otto, Representative Kelly, Representative Worley and Representative Hill. Chairman Bethell asked Mr.

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Ray Dalton, Deputy Secretary of Disability Determination Services of the Department of Social Rehabilitation Services to clarify how the savings estimates were derived.

Representative Hill restated his move to pass out favorably HB 2296 as amended, seconded by Representative Weber. Motion carries.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 am.