

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE BUSINESS, COMMERCE AND LABOR COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Al Lane at 9:10 a.m. on February 9, 2001 in Room 521-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:      Rep. John Ballou - excused  
   Rep. Melany Barnes - excused  
   Rep. Broderick Henderson - excused  
   Rep. Bill Levinson - excused  
   Rep. Rick Rehorn - excused  
   Rep. Dale Swenson - excused  
   Rep. Gwen Welshimer - excused

Committee staff present:              Renae Jeffries, Revisor of Statutes  
   Jerry Donaldson, Legislative Research Department  
   Bev Adams, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:      Steve Rarrick, Deputy Attorney General

Others attending: See attached list

**Hearing on: HB 2206 - Kansas consumer protection act; family partnerships**

Steve Rarrick, Deputy Attorney General, Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General's Office, appeared as a proponent of the bill. It amends the definition of consumer in the Kansas Consumer Protection Act (KCPA) to include husband and wife or family partnerships. Currently, the definition of "consumer" includes only "an individual or sole proprietor." (Attachment 1)

No others were present to testify for or against the bill, and Chairman Lane closed the hearing.

Chairman Lane read the fiscal note for **HB 2206**. It would have no fiscal effect.

Chairman Lane adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2001.