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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE AGING AND LONG TERM CARE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Bethell at 9:00 a.m. on February 9, 2012, in Room 144-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Rep. Kay Wolf
Rep. Scott Schwab

Committee staff present:

Katherine McBride, Assistant Revisor of Statues
Norman Furse, Assistant Revisor of Statues
Susan Duffy, Legislative Research Department
Iraida Orr, Legislative Research Department
Shirley McCollum, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

See attached list.

Hearing on **HB 2619—Relating to the licensure of adult care homes.**

Chairman Bethell asked Katherine McBride to explain **HB 2619.**

Joe Ewert, Commissioner of Survey and Certification for the Kansas Department on Aging, spoke in favor of **HB 2619.** He stated that they were in favor of a Grandfather Clause for approximately ten small Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded currently licensed or certified in Kansas which have less than six beds. (Attachment 1) He and Bill Rein, KDOA Chief Counsel, stood for questions. Rep. Gonzalez, Rep. LeDoux, Rep. Kelly, and Norm Furse asked questions and made comments. Chairman Bethell asked for clarification as to why they wanted the Grandfather Clause. Norm Furse asked for clarification to some of the bill's contents. Rep. Flaharty made comments and asked questions about the upcoming changes for the wording of Mentally Retarded.

Chairman Bethell opened the floor for others to speak.

The hearing for **HB 2619** was closed.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 a.m.