

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kenny Wilk at 3:30 p.m. on February 3, 2004, in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Carl Krehbiel- excused

Committee staff present:

Kathie Sparks, Legislative Research Department
Susan Kannarr, Legislative Research Department
Rena Jefferies, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Helen Pedigo, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Fulva Seufert, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Tracy Taylor, President, Kansas Technology Enterprise Corp.
Julie Edge, Ph.D., Inside Edge Solutions LLC
Michael Farmer, Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation

Others attending:

See Attached List.

Chairman Wilk opened the meeting February 3, 2004, at 3:30 p.m. He announced the appointment of the following subcommittee: LCA Subcommittee (Lights, Camera, Action), Rep. Lana Gordon, Chair; Representative Tom Burroughs, Vice Chair; Representatives Terrie Huntington, Annie Kuether, Don Hill, Sydney Carlin, and Valdenia Winn. The Chair said it was his intent to have public hearings on **HB 2647** on Thursday, February 5, 2004.

The Chair welcomed Mr. Tracy Taylor, President, Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation, who presented an introduction for the briefing on:

HB 2647 - Bioscience authority and development acts

Mr. Taylor then turned the presentation over to Julie Edge, Ph.D., Inside Edge Solutions LLC, who did a power point presentation on the Kansas Economic Growth Act. The first component was an introduction to the legislation itself, and the second was a 10-year bioscience roadmap, and the third was economic modeling. The overview included explanation of each section which included the following:

- Bioscience Authority Act
- Emerging Industry Investment Act
- Bioscience Development Financing Act
- Bioscience Tax Investment Incentive Act
- Bioscience Research and Development (R & D) Voucher Program Act
- Bioscience Research Matching Funds Act

Dr. Edge explained the definition of both eminent scholar and rising star scholar. She stressed the necessity of the Bioscience Authority Act as follows:

- Need an organizational institution to provide the leadership
- Modeled after research hospital authority to ensure accountability and provide for flexibility
- Ensure retention and foster growth of the biosciences in Kansas
- Make Kansas a national leader in the biosciences and a desirable location for bioscience entities to locate and grow.

Dr. Edge stated that the Bioscience Authority Act will have the following economic impact on the state:

- Foster employment in high paying jobs.
- Encourage more eminent and rising star scholars to conduct their research in Kansas which will raise our national rankings.

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- Stem the tide of brain drain and ensure our state has the desirable high quality jobs at home.
- Ensure that Stowers Institute builds Phase II in our Region.
- Bring to market beneficial bioscience discoveries and products to drive better health, food, and a safer environment.

The 10-year bioscience potential budget is estimated to be approximately \$500 million over 10 years. This includes Research, \$184.5 million; Research facilities, \$199.9 million; Commercialization, \$86.1 million; and Investment, \$27.0 million; for a total of \$497.5 million. (Attachment 1)

Chairman Wilk thanked the presenters and complimented the committee on their relevant questions.

Representative Hill made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2004, meeting, and Representative Boyer seconded. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.