

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chairman, Senator Larry Salmans, at 10:00 a.m. on January 26, 2000 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes
Lisa Montgomery, Revisor of Statutes
Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department
JoAnn Bunten, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Sally Finney, National Association of Social Workers, Kansas Chapter
Jeri Freed, Administrative Director, Kansas Dental Board

Others attending: See attached list

Introduction of bills

Senator Salmans called the Committee's attention to a bill request from the Kansas Academy of Physician Assistants that would modify the present registration process for a Physician Assistant to licensure. (Attachment 1) Senator Langworthy made a motion the Committee introduce the proposed legislation, seconded by Senator Becker. The motion carried.

Sally Finney, representing the National Association of Social Workers, Kansas Chapter, requested the Committee introduce legislation that would establish a five member board to regulate social workers. Senator Langworthy made a motion the Committee introduce the proposed legislation, seconded by Senator Hardenburger. The motion carried.

Jeri Freed, Administrative Director, Kansas Dental Board, requested legislation that would make substantive changes to the Dental Practice Act relating to: the testing requirement for licensure, license renewal procedure, adding limited liability companies to professional corporations as dental practice entities that may use trade names, and establish a procedure for reinstatement after license revocation. (Attachment 2) Senator Hardenburger made a motion the Committee introduce the proposed legislation, seconded by Senator Becker. The motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Senator Becker made a motion to approve the Committee minutes of January 19 and 20, 2000, seconded by Senator Hardenburger. The motion carried.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2000.