

Journal of the House

NINETEENTH DAY

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TOPEKA, KS, Monday, February 7, 2022, 11:00 a.m.

The House met session pro forma pursuant to adjournment with Speaker Ryckman in the chair.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

There being no objection, the following remarks of Rep. Proctor are spread upon the Journal.

I served with Colonel Chuck Rambo in the Mission Command Training Program at Fort Leavenworth until my retirement in July 2019. Chuck was a consummate professional and had an infectious energy that inspired everyone around him. Chuck was not the kind of man to brag about himself, so I had no idea at the time just how distinguished his career had been.

Chuck was an Army Aviator. He served in command and staff positions in bases from Fort Campbell, Kentucky to South Korea. He was a combat veteran, serving one tour in Iraq and four tours in Afghanistan. He was awarded the Bronze Star an incredible four times! He was also the recipient of the Legion of Merit, two Meritorious Service Medals, and three Air Medals.

Chuck was also a devoted husband to his wife and a devoted father to his five sons and his foster daughter. He was committed to the Leavenworth community, coaching our local little league team to the most championships ever in league history.

Colonel Rambo was tragically taken from us in October of last year. He was 52 years old and only one year from retirement. After retirement, he planned to make Leavenworth his home.

Today I have with me—here at the well and in the balcony—Colonel Rambo's family and many, many friends in the community, including parents and kids from his little league team. Joining me are: Colonel Rambo's widow, Ms. Janel Rambo, his five sons, Charlie, Henry, Oliver, Elliot and Samuel; his foster daughter, Faith Clark; and his sister, Karen Arnold.

And so, on behalf of the Kansas House of Representatives, I am honored to present this tribute in memoriam of Colonel Chuck Rambo for a lifetime of exemplary service to his nation and his community, which stands as an example of the service and sacrifice of so many who serve in uniform here in the state of Kansas.

Rep. Proctor presented Janel Rambo with a framed House certificate in recognition of Colonel Rambo's many achievements.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

HB 2607, AN ACT concerning civil actions; relating to habeas corpus; clarifying time limitations for filing; amending K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 60-1507 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice.

HB 2608, AN ACT concerning judgments; relating to criminal restitution; removing civil enforcement provisions; authorizing contracts for collection services for restitution; wage garnishment; providing that undisputed payments are not subject to refund or recoupment; amending K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 20-169, 21-6604, 22-3424, 60-2310 and 60-2403 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 60-4301, 60-4302, 60-4303 and 60-4304 and K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 60-4305, by Committee on Judiciary.

HB 2609, AN ACT concerning driver's licenses; relating to restricted driver's licenses; allowing restricted driver's license holders to drive to and from worship services for any religious organization at age 15; amending K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-2,101 and repealing the existing section, by Representatives Esau, Blex, Burris, Carlson, Clayton, Clifford, Collins, Corbet, Croft, Donohoe, Ellis, Eplee, Estes, Fairchild, Featherston, Francis, French, Garber, Helmer, Highland, Howe, Humphries, Jacobs, T. Johnson, Lynn, Moser, Murphy, Neely, Newland, Penn, Probst, Resman, Rhiley, Samsel, Sanders, Sawyer, Schmidt, Seiwert, Smith, C., Smith, E., Sutton, Thomas, Toplikar, Turner, Waggoner, Wasinger and Woodard.

HB 2610, AN ACT concerning firearms; relating to the personal and family protection act; allowing postsecondary educational institutions to prohibit the carrying of concealed handguns in buildings by unlicensed persons and licensees but only if adequate security measures exist; amending K.S.A. 75-7c20 and repealing the existing section, by Representative Woodard.

HB 2611, AN ACT concerning alcoholic beverages; authorizing the delivery of alcoholic liquor and cereal malt beverage by licensed retailers and third-party delivery services to patrons; amending K.S.A. 41-102, 41-2701 and 41-2728 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Federal and State Affairs.

HB 2612, AN ACT concerning retirement and pensions; relating to the Kansas public employees retirement system; retirement benefits; self-funded cost-of-living adjustment option; amending K.S.A. 74-4918 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Insurance and Pensions.

HB 2613, AN ACT concerning firearms; relating to the personal and family protection act; providing permanent exemptions for postsecondary educational institutions; amending K.S.A. 75-7c20 and repealing the existing section, by Representative Ballard.

HB 2614, AN ACT concerning firearms; creating the gun violence restraining order act; authorizing the issuance of protective orders prohibiting firearm acquisition and possession, by Representative Ballard.

HB 2615, AN ACT concerning schools; relating to school districts; authorizing policies to allow students to earn course credit through alternative educational opportunities outside the classroom, by Committee on K-12 Education Budget.

HB 2616, AN ACT concerning sales and compensating use tax; reducing the rate of tax imposed on sales of food and food ingredients; amending K.S.A. 79-3620 and 79-3710 and K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 79-3602, 79-3603 and 79-3703 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Taxation.

HB 2617, AN ACT concerning health; relating to the uniform vital statistics act; disclosure of records; allowing for an adopted person to inspect and be issued records of an immediate family member who is deceased; amending K.S.A. 65-2422d and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Transportation and Public Safety Budget.

HB 2618, AN ACT concerning property taxation; relating to exemptions; establishing a five-year property tax exemption for city, county and township property used for business incubator purposes in counties with a population of 40,000 or less, by Committee on Financial Institutions and Rural Development.

HB 2619, AN ACT concerning elected officers; relating to the total compensation thereof; requiring each county and city to post compensation information for elected county and city officers on such county's or city's website, by Committee on Financial Institutions and Rural Development.

HB 2620, AN ACT concerning crimes, punishment and criminal procedure; relating to crimes against the public peace; creating the crime of interference with the conduct of a hospital; relating to battery; increasing the criminal penalty for battery of a healthcare provider; amending K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 21-5413 and repealing the existing section, by None.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to committees as indicated:

Agriculture: **HB 2604, HB 2605.**

Appropriations: **HB 2606.**

Higher Education Budget: **HB 2598, HB 2599, HB 2600, HB 2601.**

Judiciary: **HB 2603.**

K-12 Education Budget: **HB 2602.**

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on **Taxation** recommends **HB 2500** be passed and, because the committee is of the opinion that the bill is of a noncontroversial nature, be placed on the consent calendar.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT CHANGE

Speaker Ryckman announced the appointment of Rep. Stogsdill to replace Rep. Probst on Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development on February 7, 2022.

Also, the appointment of Rep. Clayton to replace Rep. Woodard on Committee on Appropriations on February 7, 2022.

On motion of Rep. Hawkins, the House recessed until 3:30 p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The House met pursuant to recess with Speaker Ryckman in the chair.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bill was introduced and read by title:

HB 2621, AN ACT concerning education; relating to the state school for the deaf; prohibiting the dismissal or transfer of a student who gains access to hearing, by Committee on Education.

On motion of Rep. Hawkins, the House recessed until 8:00 p.m.

EVENING SESSION

The House met pursuant to recess with Speaker Ryckman in the chair.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on **Commerce, Labor and Economic Development** recommends **SB 347** be amended by substituting a new bill to be designated as "House Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 347," as follows:

"House Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 347

By Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

"AN ACT concerning economic development; enacting the attracting powerful economic expansion act; relating to tax and other incentives for projects in specified industries or for a national corporate headquarters with specified capital investment requirements of at least \$1,000,000,000; providing for a refundable income, privilege and premium tax credit for a portion of such investment; reimbursement of certain payroll costs and training and education costs; retention of certain payroll withholding taxes; sales tax exemption for project construction; adjusting the income tax on corporations by reducing the rate by 0.5% after a firm enters into an agreement under this act; limiting the number of agreements under this act with a qualified firm to one per year for two years; requiring state finance council approval of agreements; providing for reports to legislative committees; establishing the attracting powerful economic expansion payroll incentive fund, the attracting powerful economic expansion new employee training and education fund and the attracting powerful economic expansion Kansas residency incentive fund; amending K.S.A. 79-32,110 and K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 79-3606 and repealing the existing sections."; and the substitute bill be passed.

(H Sub SB 347 was thereupon introduced and read by title.)

On motion of Rep. Hawkins, the House adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 8, 2022.