

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Hayzlett at 1:30 P.M. on February 20, 2007 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Barbara Ballard- excused  
Representative Pat George- excused  
Representative Jerry Henry- excused

Committee staff present:

Hank Avila, Kansas Legislative Research  
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes Office  
Betty Boaz, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

None

Others attending:

See attached list.

The Chairman opened the meeting and advised the Committee he would like work several bills. The first bill was **HB 2164**.

A proposal prepared by the crane industry was handed out to the Committee. The proposal added three definitions to create a clear distinction between crane types and make clear which vehicle would fall under the definition of a commercial motor vehicle, and which one would not. Representative Peck, who was Chair of the Subcommittee, said the Subcommittee felt **HB 2164** needed to be amended in order to get some answers/clarification from the feds. Because of a lack of agreement by the Committee it was decided to let this bill set for now.

The Committee went on to work **HB 2136**. Representative Swanson made a motion to amend **HB 2136** with **Substitute HB 2136**, the motion was seconded by Representative Wolf and the motion carried. The substitute bill amended the definition of a passenger car; required front seat occupants of a passenger car who are 18 years of age and older to wear a safety belt at all times; required persons 14 - 17 years of age to wear safety belts at all times when the car is in motion; provided that a law enforcement officer issue a warning citation from July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007, to 14 - 17 year olds who are stopped for not wearing a safety belt; and set the fine for violating the safety belt law at \$60 instead of \$10. Representative Swanson made a motion to pass **Substitute HB 2136**, Representative Wetta seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The last bill the Committee worked was **HB 2211**. The Chairman allowed Tom Brunno, representing Support Our Troops, Inc. to speak. Mr. Brunno asked the Committee to favorably pass the bill with no amendments. The Chairman then allowed the Director of Motor Vehicles to speak to the Committee. The Director said they could work with the bill if a previously discussed amendment was not attached. Representative Humerickhouse made a motion to favorably pass **HB 2211**, seconded by Representative Burgess and the motion carried.

There being no further business before the Committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 1, 2007, at 1:30 p.m., in Room 519-S.