

MINUTES OF THE SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Les Donovan at 8:30 a.m. on February 14, 2002 in Room 245-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Ed Pugh

Committee staff present: Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes
Marian F. Holeman, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Senator Chris Steineger
Sheila Walker, Director, Div. Of Vehicles, KDOR
Matt Moser, Mgr. Titles & Registration, KDOR

Others attending: See attached list

SB 505: Re vehicle registration; notification of renewal

Senator Steineger explained that the bill requiring Division of Vehicles to issue notices of expiration/renewal dates on drivers' licenses, would merely enact into law what is already current practice. **SB 505** would not affect any state fund. Failure of the Division to send notices, or of registrants to receive notices, would not be cause or excuse for not paying the registration fees. No current laws require any entity to be responsible for this notification (attachment 1). Ms. Walker answered members questions related to current functioning of the notification program. No more conferees appeared on this bill.

SB 506: Re motor vehicles; certain distinctive plates

Sheila Walker, Director, Division of Vehicles, Kansas Department of Revenue, speaking in support of this "cleanup measure," advised that when the current statute was enacted allowing for issuance of educational institution distinctive license plates, not-for-profit institutions of higher learning and municipal universities were unintentionally excluded. **SB 506** will make such plates available on an equal basis. The second part of this measure would waive a \$.50 reflectorized plate fee for plates that are designated by statute as "free." Need an amendment to include disabled veterans and disabled citizens' organizations which were inadvertently omitted in this bill. The other two plates in this category are congressional medal of honor and prisoner of war plates (attachment 2) No more conferees appeared on this bill.

SB 507: Re certificates of title; boat trailers

Mathew Moser, Manager of the Title and Registration Bureau for Division of Vehicles, KDOR, explained the negative impact current statute has on the boating industry and the need to eliminate the present cumbersome process for dealing with transfer of boat trailers. The Department proposes to permit transfer of boat trailers exceeding 2,000 pound weight rating with a notarized bill of sale and an inspection by the Kansas Highway patrol. This will closely resemble current procedure for titling antique vehicles and will protect both previous owners and any lienholders (attachment 3). There was some confusion regarding the intent of this bill, and members asked for clarification of several points. One point of clarification is that this bill does not in any way deal with boat registration; just the titling of boat trailers. There were no other conferees on the bill.

Final committee action

Senator Salmans recommended **SB 505** be passed and placed on the consent calendar. Senator Jackson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CONTINUATION SHEET

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Senator Goodwin moved to adopt the proposed amendment to **SB 506** and further moved that **SB 506** be passed as amended. Senator Schodorf seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Senator Goodwin moved **SB 507** be passed. Senator Gooch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of minutes

Senator Salmans moved to approve minutes of the February 12, 2002 meeting. Senator Lyon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

The next meeting will be February 20, 2002.