

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Hayzlett at 1:30 P.M. on March 18, 2008 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Jerry Henry- excused  
Representative Ronnie Metzker- excused  
Representative Gene Rardin- excused

Committee staff present:

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

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Charles Letcher, Treasurer, Johnson County

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairman Hayzlett opened the meeting. He opened hearings on **SB 521**.

**SB 521 - Vehicle Registrations; Dishonor of Payment**

The Chairman recognized Charles Letcher, Treasurer of Johnson County as the first proponent of this bill. (Attachment #1) Mr. Letcher explained **SB 521** which changes the term “check” to “payment instrument” and adds language for rejected or reversed credit card payments. He said these revisions will add clarity to the existing statute to standardize and expand the authority of the sheriff while recovering revenue through the enforcement of motor vehicle laws.

There were no other proponents and no opponents. After all questions were answered the Chairman closed the hearings on **SB 521**.

Chairman Hayzlett introduced Tim Sowton, representing R.L. Polk and Co. He was there with Paul Kanitra, Government Relations Manager with CARFAX, to make a presentation to the Committee. Mr. Sowton explained that CARFAX does background checks on pre-owned vehicles. He said by using the Vehicle Identification Number CARFAX can produce a detailed vehicle history report on virtually every car, truck, or S.U.V. in North America for the purpose of helping consumers, dealers and businesses in finding and avoiding hidden problems and making smarter auto purchasing decisions.

The Chairman opened **HB 2926** for discussion, questions or motions. During discussions Representative Huntington made a motion to change “shall” to “may” on line 19. The motion was seconded by Representative Ballard. After more discussion the motion was withdrawn.

Representative Sloan made a motion to remove the word “demolish” and add “remove, haul or transport any debris from demolished...” The motion was seconded by Representative Worley, the motion carried.

Representative Peck made a motion to remove the wording referring to the National Guard as a participant in matters relating to the demolition of structures, seconded by Representative Huntington and the motion carried.

Representative Peck made a motion to favorably pass **HB 2926, as amended**. The motion was seconded by Representative King and the motion carried.

Chairman Hayzlett opened **SB 523** for discussions, questions and motions. The Chairman recognized Senator Ostmeyer who spoke in support of this bill. Representative Peck made a motion to favorably pass this bill and place it on the consent calendar. Representative Vickrey seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The Chairman opened **SB 522** for discussions, questions and motions. After discussions Representative

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Swanson made a motion to add the wording, ...“except that the unused registration fee may be transferred to another fleet motor vehicle which is registered at the same or greater weight.” The motion was seconded by Representative McLachlan and the motion carried.

Representative Vickrey made a motion to favorably pass **SB 522, as amended**, the motion was seconded by Representative Humerickhouse and the motion carried.

Chairman Hayzlett opened **SB 521** for discussions, questions and motions. Representative Sloan made a motion to favorably pass SB 521, seconded by Representative Menghini, the motion carried.

There was discussion on **SB 294**.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be on March 20, at 1:30 p.m., in Room 519-S.