

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Hayzlett at 1:30 p.m. on February 16, 2010, in Room 783 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:

Representative Virgil Peck, excused

Committee staff present:

Bruce Kinzie, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Scott Wells, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Jill Shelley, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Betty Boaz, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

None

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairman Hayzlett called the meeting to order. The Chairman said there would be no hearings today but the Committee would work some bills.

HB 2439 - Prohibiting sending, reading or writing text messages

Chairman Hayzlett opened **HB 2439** to the Committee for discussion, comments or motions. This bill would prohibit a person who is operating a motor vehicle on a public road or highway from texting, using a wireless communication device to write, send, or read a written communication. Staff briefed the Committee on this bill and on two balloon amendments (Attachment #1 and Attachment #2) After some discussion the proposed amendment specified that a "wireless communication device" does not include a voice-operated device, and to specify that the bill's provisions would not apply to law enforcement officers and emergency service personnel acting within the course and scope. Representative Swanson made a motion to adopt the amendments, seconded by Representative Rardin and the motion carried. Representative King made a motion to favorably pass HB 2439, as amended, seconded by Representative Ballard and the motion carried.

HB 2552 - Midwest interstate passenger rail compact

The Chairman opened **HB 2552** to the Committee for discussion, comments or motions. This bill would enact the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact. Representative Wetta made a motion to favorably pass HB 2552, seconded by Representative Worley and the motion carried.

HB 2660 - Recreational off-highway vehicles, regulation thereof

Chairman Hayzlett opened **HB 2660** to the Committee for discussion, comments or motions. This bill concerns recreational off-highway vehicles. Staff had an amendment. On Page 13, section (C)(k) "Any person who, on July 1, 2010, is the owner of a recreational off-highway vehicle, as defined in K.S.A. 8-126, and amendments thereto, shall not be required to file an application for a nonhighway certificate of title under the provisions of this section for such recreational off-highway vehicle, unless the person transfers an interest in such recreational off-highway vehicle." Representative Kleeb made a motion to adopt this amendment, seconded by Representative Maloney and the motion carried. Representative Swanson made a motion to favorable pass HB 2660, as amended, seconded by Representative Wolf and the motion carried.

HB 2680 - Regulating traffic; impeding traffic

The Chairman opened **HB 2680** to the Committee for discussion, comments or motions. After discussions the Committee decided to not pass **HB 2680** out of Committee.

CONTINUATION SHEET

Minutes of the House Transportation Committee at 1:30 p.m. on February 16, 2010, in Room 783 of the Docking State Office Building.

HB 2602 - Rep. Ted Powers memorial exit

Concerning **HB 2602**, Chairman Hayzlett told the Committee that to honor Ted Powers, the Kansas Turnpike Authority will make a sign and put it at the exit going to Mulvane, Kansas. Chairman Hayzlett said the Turnpike Authority had talked to Representative DeGraff, who introduced **HB 2602**, and Ted Power's widow and they agreed with this idea.

There being no further business before the Committee the meeting was adjourned.

HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE GUEST LIST

DATE: 2-16-10

NAME	REPRESENTING
Mike Scott	ATT
Sandy Prader	Alliance of Auto Mfg
Terry Heidner	KDOT
DAN METER	KHP
KEVIN GREGG	KMCA
Carmel Aldred	KDOR
Mark Bozany	Casitor Strategies
Janet Jones	Polaris Industries