

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Michael R. O'Neal at 3:30 p.m. on February 3, 2003 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Jeff Goering - Excused  
Representative Dan Williams - Excused

Committee staff present:

Jerry Ann Donaldson, Legislative Research Department  
Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes  
Cindy O'Neal, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Trista Curzydlo, Kansas Bar Association  
Laura Kelly, Kansas Recreation & Park Association  
Kevin Robertson, Kansas Dental Center  
Barbara Conant, Kansas Trial Lawyers Association

Trista Curzydlo, Kansas Bar Association, requested a committee bill which would amend the Uniform Trust Code (Attachment 1). Representative Loyd made the motion to have the request introduced as a committee bill. Representative Owens seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Laura Kelly, Kansas Recreation & Park Association, requested a bill that would exempt Boy & Girl Clubs, Salvation Army and local units of government from the Department of Health & Environment Child Care Regulations. Representative Rehorn made the motion to have the request introduced as a committee bill. Representative Pauls seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Hearing on **SB 34 - Charitable health care provider under the tort claims act**, were opened.

Kevin Robertson, Kansas Dental Center, appeared as the sponsor of the proposed bill. He explained that the Kansas Mission of Mercy is a dental outreach program that has put together a traveling dental clinic to offer free dental care. Each year there will be two different areas that are serviced. The first being Garden City at the end of February and the second is in Wyandotte County in the fall. He estimated that they will service 1,500 people in each area. All services and equipment have been donated.

Currently, a dentist or dental hygienist falls under the provisions of the Charitable Healthcare Provider Act, if they provide gratuitous services to medically indigent in a health department or a health clinic. The project they are proposing does not fall under the statute and the bill would bring them in under the act (Attachment 2).

Barbara Conant, Kansas Trial Lawyers Association, appeared as a proponent of the bill. They provided input on the proposed bill with regard to the drafting language and believes that this would be a wonderful service to offer across the state (Attachment 3).

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Hearing on **SB 34** were closed.

**SB 34 - Charitable health care provider under the tort claims act**

Representative Long made the motion to report SB 34 favorably for passage. Representative Crow seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Committee minutes from January 16, 23, 27, 28 & 29 were distributed.

The committee meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, February 4, 2003 at 3:30 p.m. in room 313-S.