

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Gary Hayzlett at 1:40 p.m. on March 21, 2002 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Beggs, excused
Representative Dillmore, excused
Representative Kauffman, excused
Representative Larkin, excused
Representative Pauls, excused
Representative Powers, excused

Committee staff present:

Bruce Kinzie, Office of the Revisor
Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department
Ellie Luthye, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Ralph Goodnight, Mayor, City of Lakin

Others attending:

See attached sheet

HCR 6007 - supporting the designation of U.S. Highway 50 as a multistate trade corridor

Chairman Hayzlett opened hearings on **HCR 6607**. Ralph Goodnight, Mayor of Lakin, said he was representing the Sante Fe Chapter of the US Highway 50 Association. He told the committee this group is comprised of eight counties that Highway 50 travels through. Their organization feel that one of the best attributes to the Highway they promote is its location in Kansas and the fact that this is the main route between Wichita and Hutchinson areas in Central Kansas to Pueblo, Colorado and the I-25 corridor. In their efforts to attract attention to US Highway 50 they have inquired with Congressman Jerry Moran's office about procuring federal dollars for improvements, or demonstration projects. They were told that Highway 50 would have to first be designated a multistage trade corridor in order to qualify at the federal level and this designation must first be made by the state legislature. He concluded he was appearing before them to ask that this designation be approved. (Attachment 1)

There were no other proponents and no opponents. Chairman Hayzlett closed hearings on **HCR 6007**.

With committee approval Chairman Hayzlett opened **HCR 6007** for final action. Representative Phelps made a motion to pass HCR 6007 favorably, seconded by Representative Osborne and the motion carried.

Chairman Hayzlett adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m. The next meeting of the House Transportation Committee will be held on Monday, March 25.