

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Brenda Landwehr at 1:30 P.M. on February 12, 2008 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Shultz, excused

Representative Otto, excused

Committee staff present:

Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes Office

Dianne Rosell, Revisor of Statutes Office

Melissa Calderwood, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Cindy Lash, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Shelley Barnhill, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Brad Parry, MS, LAT, ATC, President Kansas Athletic Trainer Society

W. David Carr, PhD, LAT, ATC, Director of the Athletic Training Education Program at the University of Kansas

Representative Peggy Mast

Teresa Walters, Certified Prevention Specialist, Executive Director of Emporians for Drug Awareness

Others Attending:

See Attached List.

Representative Storm moved that the minutes of the February 6, 2008 meeting be approved. Representative Flaherty seconded. The motion carried.

Chairperson Landwehr opened the hearings on **HB2695 - concerning athletic trainer licensure.**

Dianne Rosell, Revisor of Statutes Office briefed the committee on **HB 2695** There was discussion about the deleted requirements and the job descriptions of an Athletic Trainer. Section 4A details the education requirements.

Proponents:

Brad Parry, MS, LAT, ATC, President Kansas Athletic Trainer Society, testified in support of this bill. (Attachment 1) The educational requirements in the current bill do not match the current requirements by the Board of Certification. The current requirements in our statutes need to be updated.

W. David Carr, PhD, LAT, ATC, Director of the Athletic Training Education Program at the University of Kansas, spoke in favor of this bill. (Attachment 2) Dr. Carr detailed out the proposed changes to the bill. With the current bill, it is difficult for out of state trainers to relocate to Kansas because of the difference in the requirements between states. There was discussion about the legality of lines 30 to 31. Norm Furse said this bill originally addressed some grandfather clauses and the language needs to be fixed.

There were no opponents to this bill.

Chairperson Landwehr closed the hearing on **HB2695.**

The hearing on **HB2650 - concerning controlled substance; relating to salvia divinorum** was opened.

Cindy Lash, Legislative Research, briefed the committee on **HB 2650.** This bill would be amended to include the plant salvia divinorum, also know as salvinin A, as a schedule I drug. The definition of schedule I substance is one that has no accepted medical use. This bill has no cost to the state.

Proponents:

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Representative Peggy Mast provided an introduction on the topic and provided written information about this herb. (Attachment 3)

Teresa Walters, Certified Prevention Specialist, Executive Director of Emporians for Drug Awareness, provided testimony in support of this bill. (Attachment 4) The state can be proactive in helping to raise awareness about this drug and prevent injuries by adopting this legislation.

Written testimony in support of **HB2650** was submitted by Thomas R. Stanton, Deputy Reno County District Attorney. (Attachment 5)

Representative Mast said Senate Bill **SB481- Controlled substance, schedule I, salvia and gypsum weed** was recommended by some law enforcement agencies.

Chairperson Landwehr asked if there were any more proponents or opponents for the bill. There were none. The hearing for **HB2650** was closed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m. The next meeting will be a joint meeting with the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee on February 14, 2008 in room 313-S.