REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Higher Education Budget** recommends **HB 2374** be amended on page 2, in line 5, by striking "2024" and inserting "2025"; in line 43, by striking "2024" and inserting "2025";

On page 4, by striking all in lines 20 through 43;

On page 5, by striking all in lines 1 through 22; following line 22, by inserting:

"Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 76-384 is hereby amended to read as follows: 76-384. (a) Upon the selection of a service commitment area for the purposes of satisfying a service obligation under a medical student loan agreement entered into under this act, the person so selecting shall inform the university of Kansas school of medicine of the service commitment area selected.

(b) A person serving in a service commitment area pursuant to any agreement under this act may serve all or part of any commitment in the service commitment area initially selected by such person. If such person moves from one service commitment area to another service commitment area, such person shall notify the university of Kansas school of medicine of such person's change of service commitment area. Service in any such service commitment area shall be deemed to be continuous for the purpose of satisfying any agreement entered into under this act.

(c) A person receiving a medical student loan under this act~~,~~ in primary care may satisfy the obligation to engage in the full-time practice of medicine and surgery in a service commitment area if the person serves as a full-time faculty member of the university of Kansas

school of medicine in general internal medicine, general pediatrics, family medicine~~,~~ or family practice~~, general psychiatry or child psychiatry~~ and serves two years for each one year of such obligation, or the equivalent thereof on a two-for-one basis, except that, at the time any person commences satisfying such service obligation as a full-time faculty member pursuant to this subsection, the number of persons satisfying service commitments or service obligations, pursuant to agreements under the medical student loan act, as full-time faculty members pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed the number equal to 25% of the total number of full-time faculty members of the university of Kansas school of medicine in general internal medicine, general pediatrics, family medicine~~,~~ or family practice~~, general psychiatry or child psychiatry~~.

(d) A person may satisfy the obligation to engage in the full-time practice of medicine and surgery in a service commitment area by performing at least 100 hours per month of on-site primary care or mental health care at a medical facility operated by a local health department or nonprofit organization in this state serving medically indigent persons or at a community mental health center or at Larned state hospital, Osawatomie state hospital, south central regional mental health hospital or any facility that provides mental health services and that is operated by a state agency. As used in this subsection:

(1) "Medically indigent" means a person who is:

(A) Unable to secure healthcare because of inability to pay for all or a part of the costs thereof due to inadequate personal resources, being uninsured, being underinsured, being ineligible for governmental health benefits; or

(B) eligible for governmental benefits but is unable to obtain medical services; and

(2) "primary care" means general pediatrics, general internal medicine, family medicine and family practice.";

Also on page 5, in line 23, by striking "2024" and inserting "2025";

On page 9, in line 10, by striking "2025" and inserting "2026"; in line 35, by striking "76-384 and"; also in line 35, by striking "2024" and inserting "2025"; in line 36, before "and" by inserting ", 76-384";

On page 1, in the title, in line 7, by striking "76-384and" and inserting "76-380 and"; also in line 7, by striking "2024" and inserting "2025"; also in line 7, after "76-382" by inserting ", 76-384"; and the bill be passed as amended.

_____Chairperson