

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Anthony R. Brown, at 1:34 p.m. on February 15, 2011, in Room 785 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:
Representative Frownfelter
Representative Schwab

Committee staff present:
Rena Jefferies, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Ken Wilke, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Reed Holwegner, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Joyce Bishop, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:
Jeff Glendening, Vice President Political Affairs, Kansas Chamber of Commerce
Derrick Sontag, Kansas State Director, Americans for Prosperity
Jane Carter, Executive Director, Kansas Organization of State Employees
Robert S. Wing, President, Kansas State Council of Fire Fighters
Andy Sanchez, Executive Secretary –Treasurer, Kansas AFL-CIO
David Schauner, General Counsel, Kansas NEA

Others attending:
See attached list.

Chairperson Brown opened the hearing on **HB 2130, Labor organizations; political activity.**

Rena Jefferies presented the Revisor's overview (Attachment 1).

Chairperson Brown asked for testimony from proponents.

Jeff Glendening, Vice President Political Affairs, Kansas Chamber of Commerce (Attachment 2).

Committee member, Representative Gene Suellentrop appeared without written testimony.

Derrick Sontag, Kansas State Director, Americans for Prosperity, provided written testimony only (Attachment 3).

Chairperson Brown asked for testimony from opponents.

Jane Carter, Executive Director, Kansas Organization of State Employees (Attachment 4).

Robert S. Wing, President, Kansas State Council of Fire Fighters (Attachment 5).

Andy Sanchez, Executive Secretary –Treasurer, Kansas AFL-CIO (Attachment 6).

David Schauner, General Counsel, Kansas NEA (Attachment 7).

Chairperson Brown closed the hearing on the bill.

Chairperson Brown postponed the hearing on **HB 2222, Labor organizations; persons prohibited from unionizing,** until tomorrow, Wednesday, February 16th.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10pm.