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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anthony Brown at 1:34 p.m. on February 10, 2012, in Room 785 of Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:

Representative Marvin Kleeb	Excused
Representative Mike Slattery	Excused
Representative Rob Bruchman	Excused
Representative Stan Frownfelter	Excused

Committee staff present:

Chuck Reimer, Revisor
Ken Wilke, Revisor
Raney Gilliland, Research
Reed Holwegner, Research
Joyce Bishop, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Secretary Pat George, Department of Commerce
Jeff Boerger, Kansas Speedway Corporation
Mike Taylor, Public Relations Director, Unified Government
Dick Carter, Jr., Overland Park
Larry Baer, League of Municipalities
Natalie Bright, Travel Industry Association of Kansas
Bridgette Jobe, Executive Director, Kansas City Kansas Convention & Visitors Bureau
Jason Hilgers, Assistant City Manager, City of Manhattan
Douglas Patterson, Property Law Firm, LLC

Others attending:

See list.

Chairperson Brown opened the hearing on **HB 2561—Extension of the STAR bonds financing act sunset provision regarding STAR bond projects.**

Chuck Reimer presented the overview on **HB 2561.**

The following conferees appeared as proponents of **HB 2561**:

Jason Glasurud, Special Assistant to Secretary Pat George, Kansas Department of Commerce ([Attachment 1](#))

Jeff Boerger, President, Kansas Speedway Corporation ([Attachment 2](#))

Mike Taylor, Unified Government ([Attachment 3](#))

Dick Carter, Jr., Overland Park, Kansas ([Attachment 4](#))

CONTINUATION SHEET

The minutes of Commerce & Economic Development Committee at 1:30 PM, on February 10, 2012, in Room 785 of the Docking State Office Building

The following conferees provided written only testimony as proponents of **HB 2561**:

Larry Baer, Assistant General Counsel, League of Kansas Municipalities (Attachment 5)

Natalie Bright, Travel Industry Association of Kansas (Attachment 6)

Bridgette Jobe, Wyandotte County Convention and Visitors Bureau (Attachment 7)

Jason Hilgers, Assistant City Manager, City of Manhattan (Attachment 8)

The following conferee provided neutral testimony on **HB 2561**:

Douglas Patterson, Property Law Firm, LLC (Attachment 9)

Staff informed the Committee of a recent news article describing the STAR Bonds project in Olathe. (Attachment 10).

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 PM.