

MINUTES OF THE SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman James Barnett at 1:35 P.M. on January 26, 2006 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Emalene Correll, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Terri Weber, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Norm Furse, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Diana Lee, Office of Revisors of Statutes
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Morgan Dreyer, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Ms. Lougene Marsh, Board President Kansas Association for the Medically Underserved

Others attending:

See attached list.

Recognitions

Upon calling the meeting to order, Chairman Barnett welcomed Committee Members and introduced staff members, Norm Furse, and Diana Lee in The Office of Revisor of Statutes; Emalene Correll and Terri Weber, in the Kansas Legislative Research Department; and Morgan Dreyer, Committee Secretary.

Introduction of Bills

Upon calling the meeting to order, Chairman Barnett asked for the introduction of bills. Phyllis Gilmore, Executive Director, State of Kansas Behavioral Science Regulatory Board presented the introduction of two bills. The first proposal concerns the behavioral sciences regulatory board; relating to impaired licensees. The second proposal concerns the behavioral sciences; relating to temporary licenses. The drafts of these bills were not available at the time of the meeting.

Vice Chairwoman Senator V. Schimdt motioned to adopt the introduced bills. Senator Haley seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Presentation - Kansas Association for the Medically Underserved

The Chair then introduced guest speaker Lougene Marsh, Board President of the Kansas Association for the Medically Underserved. Ms. Marsh began by thanking the Committee, then stated she would be focusing her presentation on Primary Care Safety Net Clinics; Providing Access to Primary Care Services for Underserved Populations. A copy of her presentation is (Attachment 1) attached hereto and incorporated into the Minutes as referenced. Highlights of her presentation included:

1. KAMU
2. Services
3. Primary Care Safety Net Clinics
4. Different Models of Primary Care Safety Net Clinics
5. Comprehensive Primary Care Services
6. Recommended Enabling Services
7. Role of Primary Care Safety Net Clinics
8. Highlights of 2005-Access to Low Cost or Free Prescriptions
9. Highlights of 2005-Increased Access to Oral Health Care Services
10. Highlights of 2005-Incubator Programs
11. Highlights of 2005-Other New Projects
12. Growing the Primary Care Safety Net Clinic
13. Legislative 2006 Session (proposed issues)

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14. Two Maps of Kansas that identify position of Safety Net Clinics and Proposed Regional Dental Hubs in Kansas

Chairman Barnett thanked Ms. Marsh for her presentation and recognized Dick Morris with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

Chairman Barnett asked the Committee for questions and/or comments.

Vice Chairwoman V. Schmidt wanted to make sure that for the \$750,000 funding that Lougene Marsh was aware that the KDHE Sub-Committee is meeting, and that KAMU would assuming want to get on the agenda for that meeting. Vice Chairwoman V. Schmidt also asked if Medicare Part D have any affect on KAMU leveraging more from the Federal Government for the 340B or in the Prescription Assistance Program.

Lougene Marsh with KAMU replied that for several months prior to the implementation to Medicare Part D KAMU was being advised by pharmaceutical manufacturers that any individuals currently on the program who are eligible for Medicare would lose elibility for the pharmaceutical products through their program.

Adjournment

Chairman Barnett reviewed next weeks agenda annoucing that at the next committee meeting there would be a bill introduction relating to blood donations. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The time was 2:25 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2006.