

## MINUTES OF THE SENATE TRANSPORTATION &amp; TOURISM COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Ben Vidricksen at 9:05 a.m. on February 1, 2000 in Room 245-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department  
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes  
Marian F. Holeman, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Tom Whitaker, KS Motor Carriers Assn.  
Senator Nancey Harrington  
Leslie Kaufman, Farm Bureau  
Bob Fidler, AAA

Others attending: See attached list

**Introduction of bill**

Tom Whitaker, Kansas Motor Carriers Association requested introduction of a bill which would allow truck dealers to issue a "demonstration permit". Senator Goodwin moved to introduce the bill. Senator Gilstrap seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**SB 369: Re restricted drivers' licenses; concerning school-sponsored activities**

Staff Revisor Kinzie briefed members on what the bill would do. This would change legislation passed last year regarding restrictions on teen drivers' licenses.

Senator Harrington explained the intent is to allow students with restricted licenses to drive to school sponsored activities outside the normal school class hours (Attachment 1).

Leslie J. Kaufman, Assistant Director Public Policy Division, Kansas Farm Bureau advised that Farm Bureau is committed to preserving the current age structure for teen drivers in Kansas and lend their qualified support to the concept of clarifying the statute. However, they urge clarification of the "participation" wording in the bill (Attachment 2).

Bob Fidler, Director, Marketing & Public Affairs, American Automobile Association of Kansas, appeared in opposition to the changes proposed in **SB 369**; specifically, expanding young driver's privileges (Attachment 3)

Following discussion the committee consensus was that the bill requires clarification as to the meaning of "participation" and "location;" i.e. school of enrollment, property leased for school activities, etc. A Subcommittee was appointed to work on clarifying language in the bill. Members appointed were: Senator Harrington, Chair; Senator Huelskamp, Senator Goodwin and Senator Stephens. The Committee was instructed to report back as soon as possible.

**Approval of minutes**

Senator Stephens moved to approved minutes of the January 26 and January 27, 2000 meetings. Senator Tyson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2000.