

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **SB 296** be amended on page 1, in line 13, after "(c)" by inserting "(1)"; in line 14, by striking "may be considered by the trier of fact" and inserting "shall not be admissible";

Also on page 1, following line 16, by inserting:

"(2) In any civil action in which the plaintiff has asserted a product liability claim, as defined in K.S.A. 60-3302(c), and amendments thereto, against an automobile manufacturer alleging harm caused by a defective vehicle occupant protection system, evidence of misuse or nonuse of a safety belt may be considered by the trier of fact for the purpose of determining causation, the absence of a defect or hazard or negligent design or construction."; and the bill be passed as amended.

Chairperson