

Journal of the Senate

FIFTY-FIRST DAY

SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS
Wednesday, March 30, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by President Ty Masterson.

The roll was called with 40 senators present.

Invocation by Reverend Cecil T. Washington:

My Good Jekyll and My Awful Hyde Competition
Romans 7:15, Galatians 5:17

Heavenly Father, as we serve in these chambers and in all our other areas of responsibility, we really want Your approval. Most of all we want to be pleasing to You. Yet there's something in us that tends to lean in the wrong direction. And no matter how good or ethical we want to be, we miss the target because we weren't even aiming at it. We were aiming in the wrong direction.

Years ago, Robert Louis Stevenson wrote an allegory depicting the dual nature of our predicament. The good Dr. Jekyll in us is competing with the awful Mr. Hyde. Lord, there's a Jekyll and Hyde in us that You inspired the Apostle Paul to write about in Romans 7:14-20. He said that Your standards are spiritually good but in us there's a corrupt nature. We don't do the good that we want to do. Instead, we do the things we don't want to do.

Your Word also says in Galatians 5:17, our bad Mr. Hyde desires are against our good Dr. Jekyll desires; they are opposed to each other. A war goes on inside us. But through Paul You gave us the solution. We find in Romans 7:25 that in surrendering to You the struggle is lessened and the good in me triumphs.

Help us Lord to stay humbly submitted to You, that Your standards will prevail. My prayer is in the Name of Jesus, Amen!

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Masterson.

FINAL ACTION

On motion of Senator Alley an emergency was declared by a 2/3 constitutional majority, **HB 2644**, as amended by Senate committee, **HB 2717** were advanced to Final Action subject to amendment, debate and roll call.

HB 2644, AN ACT designating the Sandhill plum as the official state fruit.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Baumgardner, Billinger, Bowers, Claeys, Corson, Dietrich, Doll, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Hawk, Hilderbrand,

Holland, Holscher, Kerschen, Kloos, Longbine, Masterson, McGinn, O'Shea, Olson, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Pittman, Pyle, Ryckman, Steffen, Straub, Sykes, Thompson, Tyson, Ware, Warren, Wilborn.

Absent or Not Voting: Suellentrop.

The bill passed, as amended.

HB 2717, AN ACT concerning municipalities; relating to law enforcement agencies and cooperation with federal officials regarding citizenship, immigration status and enforcement of federal immigration laws; requiring any municipal identification card to state it is not valid for state identification including voter identification; amending K.S.A. 8-1327 and 25-2908 and repealing the existing sections.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 29; Nays 10; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Baumgardner, Billinger, Bowers, Claeys, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Hilderbrand, Holland, Kerschen, Kloos, Longbine, Masterson, McGinn, O'Shea, Olson, Peck, Petersen, Pittman, Pyle, Ryckman, Steffen, Straub, Thompson, Tyson, Warren, Wilborn.

Nays: Corson, Doll, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Hawk, Holscher, Pettey, Sykes, Ware.

Absent or Not Voting: Suellentrop.

The bill passed.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

Mr. President: I vote "NO" on **House Bill 2717**. I recognize that this bill would still allow the issuance of municipal identification cards; my objection is to the elimination of a municipal identification card as a form of identification for voting. Those cards, issued by cities and counties, have made meeting the requirement to have a photo identification card easier for many individuals who do not have any other forms of photo identification; one example of those is some seniors in nursing facilities. This is not a card that can be used to register to vote; only a card to provide the required photo identification. Let's not put one more barrier in the way of allowing registered voters to vote.—MARCI FRANCISCO

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO CONCUR AND NONCONCUR

Senator Kerschen moved the Senate concur in House amendments to **SB 346**.

A substitute motion to Nonconcur and appoint a new conference failed.

SB 346, AN ACT concerning agriculture; relating to milk and dairy products; allowing on-farm retail sale of milk and milk products; extending certain milk and dairy license fees; authorizing the secretary of agriculture to declare an imminent health hazard; authorizing civil penalties for certain dairy law violations; relating to animals; transporting animals into the state; authorizing the animal health commissioner to assess a civil penalty for violations relating thereto; amending K.S.A. 47-607c, 65-771, 65-778, 65-781, 65-786 and 65-788 and repealing the existing sections.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 27; Nays 12; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Billinger, Bowers, Claeys, Corson, Dietrich, Doll, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Hawk, Holland, Holscher, Kerschen, Longbine, Masterson, McGinn, O'Shea, Olson, Pettey, Pittman, Ryckman, Sykes, Ware, Warren, Wilborn.

Nays: Baumgardner, Erickson, Gossage, Hilderbrand, Kloos, Peck, Petersen, Pyle, Steffen, Straub, Thompson, Tyson.

Absent or Not Voting: Suellentrop.

The Senate concurred.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

Mr. President: I voted No on **SB 346** because the potential good of the milk bill was outweighed by the potential ill effects of the animal transportation bill stuck in a the last second. We have to realize that an Ag committee overwhelmingly controlled by big city dwellers that only listen to special interest groups and government employees proves a detriment to our Kansas farmers and ranchers.—MARK STEFFEN

Senator Straub requests the record to show she concurs with the "Explanation of Vote" offered by Senator Steffen on **SB 346**.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The House announced the appointment of Representative Anderson to replace Representative Long as a conferee on **S Sub HB 2448**.

On motion of Senator Alley, the Senate recessed until 4:00 p.m.

The Senate met pursuant to recess with Vice President Rick Wilborn in the chair.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Faust-Goudeau rose on a Point of Personal Privilege to welcome Ava Johnson from Wichita to the Kansas Senate. Ava is 8 years old, in the second grade and holds two titles, Miss Kansas Cover Girl and Miss Kansas Superstar. Her dream is to become a doctor of medicine.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The House adopts the Conference Committee report on **SB 62**.

The House concurs in Senate amendments to **HB 2607**, and requests return of the bill.

The House concurs in Senate amendments to **HB 2564**, and requests return of the bill.

The House nonconcurrs in Senate amendments to **HB 2237**, requests a conference and has appointed Representatives Kelly, Hoheisel and Xu as conferees on the part of the House.

The House announced the appointment of Rep. Mason to replace Rep. Highland as a conferee on **HB 2106, HB 2239; S Sub HB 2416, S Sub HB 2597**.

Announcing passage of **Sub SB 84**, as amended by **H Sub SB 84**.

The House nonconcurrs in Senate amendments to **S Sub HB 2280**, requests a conference and has appointed Representatives Landwehr, Eplee and Ruiz, S. as conferees on the part of the House.

ORIGINAL MOTION

On motion of Senator Olson the Senate nonconcurred in the House amendments to

H Sub Sub SB 84 and requested a conference committee be appointed.

The President appointed Senators Olson, Hilderbrand and Faust-Goudeau as a conference committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Senator Gossage, the Senate acceded to the request of the House for a conference on **S Sub HB 2280**.

The President appointed Senators Hilderbrand, Gossage and Pettey as conferees on the part of the Senate.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. PRESIDENT and MR. SPEAKER: Your committee on conference on House amendments to **SB 62** submits the following report:

The Senate accedes to all House amendments to the bill, and your committee on conference further agrees to amend the bill as printed as Further Amended by House Committee, as follows:

On page 2, following line 4, by inserting:

"New Section 1. (a) A person seeking to interpret under K.S.A. 75-4355a through 75-4355d, and amendments thereto, and section 1 through 5, and amendments thereto, or to comply with any state or federal law or rules and regulations shall obtain registration in accordance with this section.

(b) To obtain registration as an interpreter, an applicant shall submit an application on a form and in a manner prescribed by the commission and shall pay the registration fee determined by the commission in rules and regulations. The commission may grant registration to any person who:

- (1) Has obtained a high school diploma or its equivalent;
- (2) is 18 years of age or older;
- (3) has no other record of disqualifying conduct as determined by the commission;

and

(4) has obtained a certification or other appropriate credentials as determined by the commission.

(c) (1) The commission may grant registration as an interpreter to an applicant who has been duly licensed or registered as an interpreter by examination under the laws of another state, territory or the District of Columbia if, in the opinion of the commission, the applicant substantially meets the qualifications for registration as an interpreter in this state. The applicant shall provide satisfactory evidence of verification of the applicant's licensure or registration from the original state of licensure or registration.

(2) The commission may grant temporary registration to a nonresident interpreter who holds a certificate or license in such interpreter's state of residence. An interpreter granted a temporary registration shall not interpret more than 20 separate days in a year in this state.

(d) (1) Registrations issued under this section shall expire on the date established by rules and regulations of the commission unless revoked prior to that time. The commission shall send a notice for renewal of registration to every interpreter at least 60 calendar days prior to the expiration date of such person's registration.

(2) (A) A registered interpreter shall have a grace period of 30 calendar days after a registration has expired to renew such registration without a late fee. The commission may charge a late fee for any renewal application received after such grace period. The commission shall determine the amount of the late fee in rules and regulations, but such

fee shall not exceed \$200.

(B) An interpreter whose registration has expired after failing to submit a renewal application may renew registration upon payment of the late fee and submission of satisfactory evidence of completion of continuing education requirements established by the commission. For renewals of expired registrations, the commission may require additional testing, training or education to establish the interpreter's present ability to perform the functions and responsibilities of an interpreter.

(3) An interpreter, as a condition for renewal of a registration, shall attend not less than 30 hours of continuing education programming within a two-year period. Upon receipt of such application, payment of fee and evidence of satisfactory completion of the required continuing education, the commission shall verify the accuracy of the application and grant renewal of the registration.

(e)(1) The commission may require an applicant for registration as an interpreter to be fingerprinted and to submit to a state and national criminal history record check. The fingerprints shall be used to identify the applicant and to determine whether the applicant has a record of criminal history in this state or another jurisdiction. The commission is authorized to submit the fingerprints to the Kansas bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation for a state and national criminal history record check. The commission may use the information obtained from fingerprinting and the applicant's criminal history for purposes of verifying the identification of the applicant and making the official determination of the qualifications and fitness of the application to be issued or maintain registration.

(2) Local and state law enforcement officers and agencies shall assist the commission in taking the fingerprints of applicants for registration. Local and state law enforcement officers and agencies may charge a fee as reimbursement for expenses incurred in taking and processing fingerprints under this section. The Kansas bureau of investigation shall release all records of an applicant's adult convictions to the commission.

(3) The commission may fix and collect a fee for fingerprinting and conducting a state and national criminal history record check of applicants or registrants as may be required by the commission in an amount equal to the cost of fingerprinting and the criminal history record check.

(f) The commission may refuse to issue, renew or reinstate a registration, may condition, limit, revoke or suspend the registration of any individual if the applicant or registrant:

- (1) Has been found incompetent or negligent in the practice of interpreting;
- (2) has been convicted of a felony offense or a misdemeanor against persons and has not demonstrated to the commission's satisfaction that such person has been sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;
- (3) submits an application that contains false, misleading or incomplete information;
- (4) fails or refuses to provide any information requested by the commission;
- (5) fails or refuses to pay the required fees;
- (6) is currently listed on a child abuse registry or an adult protective services registry as the result of a substantiated finding of abuse or neglect by any state agency, agency of another state or the United States, territory of the United States or another country, and the applicant or registrant has not demonstrated to the commission's

satisfaction that such person has been sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;
or

(7) has had a license, registration or certificate to practice as an interpreter revoked, suspended or limited, or has been the subject of other disciplinary action, or an application for a license, registration or certificate denied, by the proper regulatory authority of another state, territory, District of Columbia, or other country, a certified copy of the record of the action of the other jurisdiction being conclusive evidence thereof.

(g) Administrative proceedings and disciplinary actions regarding interpreter registration under sections 1 through 3, and amendments thereto, shall be conducted in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act. Judicial review and civil enforcement of agency actions under sections 1 through 3, and amendments thereto, shall be in accordance with the Kansas judicial review act.

(h) The executive director of the commission shall adopt rules and regulations to effectuate the provisions of this section. Such rules and regulations may include, but not be limited to:

(1) Fees, including, but not limited to, registration fees and late fees, that are necessary to fund the expenses and operating costs incurred in the administration and enforcement of this section;

(2) categories of interpreter certification and interpreter endorsements, including necessary credentials or qualifications;

(3) continuing education requirements and programs for registered interpreters;

(4) a code of professional conduct;

(5) a supervision and mentorship requirements and programs for interpreters with provisional registration;

(6) suspension or revocation of interpreter registration; and

(7) any other matter deemed necessary by the executive director to implement and administer this section.

New Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), it shall be unlawful for any person who is not registered with the commission, or whose registration has been suspended or revoked, to:

(1) Practice as an interpreter;

(2) hold out to the public the intention, authority or skill to interpret;

(3) provide video remote interpreting services; or

(4) use any title or abbreviation to indicate the person is an interpreter registered with the commission.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), it shall be unlawful to:

(1) Cause or permit a person to interpret in Kansas, either in-person or remotely, with knowledge that such person is not a registered interpreter;

(2) represent that a person is a registered interpreter, when the entity knows or reasonably should know that such person is not a registered interpreter;

(3) hold out to the public, on behalf of a person, the intention, skill or authority to interpret, when the entity knows or reasonably should know that such person is not a registered interpreter; or

(4) accept payment for securing an interpreter under the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4355a through 75-4355d, and amendments thereto, when the person provided by the entity to interpret is not a registered interpreter.

- (c) This section shall not apply to a person:
- (1) Interpreting during a religious event;
 - (2) interpreting as a volunteer without compensation after receiving approval from the commission or the executive director;
 - (3) interpreting during an emergency, until the services of a registered interpreter can be obtained; or
 - (4) a student who is enrolled in and pursuing a degree or credential in interpreting or an interpreter training program or a provisional interpreter with a supervision plan overseen by the commission, while such student or provisional interpreter is under the supervision of a registered interpreter.

(d) When it appears to the commission that any person or entity is violating this section, the commission may bring an action in the name of the state of Kansas in a court of competent jurisdiction for an injunction against such violation without regard to whether proceedings have been or may be instituted before the commission or whether criminal proceedings have been or may be instituted.

New Sec. 3. (a) The commission shall develop and administer a program to provide guidelines for the utilization of communication access services, communication access service providers and interpreter service agencies. The executive director of the commission may adopt rules and regulations to effectuate the provisions of this section. Such rules and regulations may include, but not be limited to:

- (1) Fees necessary to fund the expenses and operating costs incurred in the administration and enforcement of this section;
- (2) determination of the qualifications of communication access service providers;
- (3) minimum standards of training of communication access service providers;
- (4) registration of communication access service providers and interpreter service agencies;
- (5) a code of professional conduct governing communication access service providers;
- (6) standards for equipment or technology supporting communication access services;
- (7) a system of statewide coordination of communication access services; and
- (8) any other matter that the executive director deems necessary to effectuate the provisions of this section.

(b) (1) The commission may require communication access service providers to be fingerprinted and to submit to a state and national criminal history record check. The fingerprints shall be used to identify the applicant and to determine whether the applicant has a record of criminal history in this state or another jurisdiction. The commission is authorized to submit the fingerprints to the Kansas bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation for a state and national criminal history record check. The commission may use the information obtained from fingerprinting and the applicant's criminal history for purposes of verifying the identification of any individual and in the official determination of the qualifications and fitness of the individual to provide communication access services.

(2) Local and state law enforcement officers and agencies shall assist the commission in taking the fingerprints of individuals. Local and state law enforcement officers and agencies may charge a fee as reimbursement for expenses incurred in

taking and processing fingerprints under this section. The Kansas bureau of investigation shall release all records of an individual's adult convictions to the commission.

(3) The commission may fix and collect a fee for fingerprinting and conducting a state and national criminal history record check of individuals pursuant to this section as may be required by the commission in an amount equal to the cost of fingerprinting and the criminal history record check.

New Sec. 4. (a) The commission shall remit all moneys received from fees, charges or penalties under sections 1 through 3, and amendments thereto, to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount into the state treasury to the credit of the Kansas commission for the deaf and hard of hearing registration fee fund.

(b) There is hereby created in the state treasury the commission for deaf and hard of hearing registration fee fund. All moneys credited to the fund shall be used to carry out the powers, duties and functions of the commission. The fund shall be administered by the Kansas commission for the deaf and hard of hearing. All expenditures from the fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the executive director of the commission or the executive director's designee.

New Sec. 5. As used in K.S.A 75-4355a through 75-4355d, and amendments thereto, and sections 1 through 5, and amendments thereto:

(a) "Commission" means the Kansas commission for the deaf and hard of hearing.

(b) "Communication access services" includes, but is not limited to:

(1) Communication access realtime translation services;

(2) notetakers;

(3) open and closed captioning services;

(4) support service providers for the deaf-blind; and

(5) any other effective method of making aurally delivered information available to individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing.

(c) "Communication access service provider" means an individual who is trained to offer a communication access service to communicate aurally delivered information to individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech and language impairments.

(d) "Executive director" means the executive director for the Kansas commission for the deaf and hard of hearing.

(e) "Interpreter" means an individual who engages in the practice of interpreting.

(f) "Interpreter service agency" means an entity that contracts with or employs registered interpreters to provide interpreter services, whether in person or remotely, for a fee.

(g) "Interpreting" means the translating or transliterating of English concepts to any communication modes of individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech and language impairments or the translating or transliterating of the communication modes of individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech and language impairments to English language concepts. Communication modes include, but are not limited to, American sign language, English-based sign language, cued speech, oral transliterating and information received tactually.

(h) "Video remote interpreter" means an interpreter who engages in the practice of

video remote interpreting.

(i) "Video remote interpreting" means the process that allows an individual who is deaf or hard of hearing to communicate with a hearing individual at the same location through an interpreter displayed through videoconferencing or similar technology.;"

On page 5, following line 1, by inserting:

"Sec. 8. K.S.A. 75-4355a is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-4355a. ~~A qualified~~ An interpreter registered with the Kansas commission for the deaf and hard of hearing shall be secured for any person who is deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired in any grand jury, court or jury proceeding whether such person is a plaintiff, defendant, juror or witness in such action, and the interpreter shall interpret throughout the actual trial and during the time that the jury is sequestered or engaged in its deliberations.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 75-4355b is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-4355b. (a) All interpreters for the deaf, hard of hearing and ~~speech impaired individuals that have speech and language impairments~~, secured under the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4355a through 75-4355d, and amendments thereto, or in compliance with any state or federal law or rules and regulations, shall ~~be certified by or~~ registered with the Kansas commission for the deaf and hard of hearing or an agency designated by the commission. The chairperson of the governmental committee or commission, ~~or~~ the head of the governmental agency or other entity, or the court is responsible for assuring the procurement of the interpreter.

(b) The commission shall recommend reasonable fees for the services of the interpreter. At no time shall the fees for interpreter services be assessed against the person who is deaf, hard of hearing or ~~speech impaired~~ has speech and language impairments.

(c) No person shall serve as an interpreter if such interpreter is married to that person, related to that person or is otherwise interested in the outcome of the proceeding. Exceptions can be made in extreme conditions, subject to the approval of the commission.

(d) No person shall serve as an interpreter pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4355a through 75-4355d, and amendments thereto, unless the commission makes the determination that the person is qualified to interpret. The commission may designate the executive director of the commission or a local agency to make such determination and approval under the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4355a through 75-4355d, and amendments thereto. A person is qualified to interpret if such person is able to interpret effectively, accurately and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary.

(e) If preferred by the deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired person and if feasible, other ~~modes of communication, such as notetakers, open captioning equipment, assistive listening devices~~ access services or other technology may be used in place of an interpreter.

Sec. 10. K.S.A. 75-5391 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-5391. (a) There is hereby established within the Kansas department for children and families the Kansas commission for the deaf and hard of hearing. The commission shall:

(1) Advocate services affecting the deaf and hard of hearing in the areas of public services, health care, educational, vocational and employment opportunity;

(2) act as a bureau of information for the deaf and hard of hearing to state agencies and public institutions providing general health and mental health care, employment,

vocational, and educational services, and to local agencies and programs;

(3) collect facts and statistics and other special studies of conditions affecting the health and welfare of the deaf and hard of hearing in this state;

(4) provide for a mutual exchange of ideas and information on the national, state and local levels;

(5) provide public education ~~of prenatal and postnatal warning signs of conditions which may lead to deafness or hearing impairment in the fetus or newborn child;~~

(A) Regarding best practices in language acquisition development in deaf and hard of hearing children and aural rehabilitation options; and

(B) to promote the eradication of ignorance and discrimination toward deaf and hard of hearing people in schools and employment;

(6) encourage and assist local governments in the development of programs for the deaf and hard of hearing;

(7) cooperate with public and private agencies and units of local, state and federal governments in promoting coordination in programs for the deaf and hard of hearing;

(8) provide for the social, emotional, educational and vocational needs of the deaf and hard of hearing and their families;

(9) serve as an advisory board to the governor and legislature on the needs of the deaf and hard of hearing by preparing an annual report ~~which that~~ reviews the status of all state services to the deaf and hard of hearing within Kansas, and to recommend priorities ~~to the governor~~ for the development and coordination of services to the deaf and hard of hearing; and

(10) make recommendations for needed improvements, and serve as an advisory board in regard to new legislation affecting the deaf and hard of hearing.

(b) The commission may:

(1) Develop and oversee programs concerning interpreters, interpreter service agencies, and communication access services;

(2) become a member of or affiliate with any professional organization related to the powers, duties and functions of the commission; and

(3) undertake any and all other acts as may be necessary for the performance of the commission's powers, duties and functions in the administration of K.S.A. 75-4355a through 75-4355d, and amendments thereto, and sections 1 through 5, and amendments thereto.

(c) Except as otherwise provided by this act, all budgeting, purchasing and related management functions of the Kansas commission for the deaf and hard of hearing shall be administered ~~under the direction and supervision of~~ by the secretary for children and families. Within the limitations of available appropriations, the secretary for children and families shall provide additional clerical and other assistance as may be required for the commission. The executive director shall report directly to the deputy secretary or secretary for administrative purposes only.

Sec. 11. K.S.A. 75-5393 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-5393. (a) The Kansas commission for the deaf and hard of hearing shall employ an executive director and shall fix the duties, responsibilities and qualifications thereof. The executive director shall be a full-time employee of the commission who shall be in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil service act and shall receive an annual salary to be fixed by the commission, and such salary shall be comparable to the salaries of executive directors of other commissions. The executive director shall receive actual

and necessary expenses incurred while in the discharge of official duties.

(b) The executive director, with the advice and consent of the commission shall:

(1) Within the limitations of available appropriations, plan and oversee the establishment of service centers for the deaf and hard of hearing in areas where the commission deems they are needed and in concurrence with the secretary for children and families and in consultation with local boards of directors of community service centers and local groups promoting or providing services to the deaf or hard of hearing, or both;

(2) promote accessibility of all governmental services to deaf and hard of hearing citizens in Kansas including those deaf and hard of hearing persons with multiple disabilities;

(3) identify agencies, both public and private ~~which that~~ provide community services, evaluate the extent to which they make services available to deaf and hard of hearing people and their families, and cooperate with the agencies in coordinating and extending these services;

(4) provide for the mutual exchange of ideas and information on services for deaf and hard of hearing people between federal, state and local governmental agencies and private organizations and individuals;

(5) survey the needs of the deaf and hard of hearing population in Kansas and assist the commission in the preparation of its report to the governor;

(6) maintain a listing of persons qualified in various types of interpreting and ~~aural rehabilitation communication access services~~ for the deaf and make this information available to local, state, federal and private organizations and to individuals;

(7) promote the training of interpreters for the deaf and hard of hearing;

(8) serve as an advocate for the rights of deaf and hard of hearing people and perform such other duties as may be required by law;

(9) provide interpreter services for the deaf and hard of hearing to be funded from ~~user fees collected pursuant to K.S.A. 75-5397a, and amendments thereto;~~

(10) provide a telecommunication message relay service for the deaf and hard of hearing;

(11) provide for a program of ~~regulation and certification~~ registration of interpreters; ~~and~~

(12) provide for a program of statewide coordination for communication access services and service providers; and

(13) employ such persons as may be needed from time to time, in the judgment of the executive director, to carry out the director's responsibilities under paragraphs (9), (10) and, (11) of this subsection and (12). Such employees shall be in the unclassified civil service and shall receive an annual salary to be fixed by the commission.

(c) In selecting an executive director, the commission shall select an individual who is fluent in the American sign language of the deaf and shall give consideration and priority to qualified applicants who are deaf or hard of hearing. The commission shall supervise and evaluate the executive director.

Sec. 12. K.S.A. 75-5397a is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-5397a. (a) The Kansas commission for the deaf and hard of hearing may fix, charge and collect reasonable fees for providing interpreter services, interpreter ~~certification~~ registration, communication access services and sign language instruction.

(b) The secretary for children and families shall remit all moneys received by the

commission for such providing interpreter services, communication access services and sign language instruction to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the Kansas department for children and families enterprise fund.";

Also on page 5, in line 2, by striking "and" and inserting a comma; in line 3, before "are" by inserting ", 75-4355a, 75-4355b, 75-5391, 75-5393 and 75-5397a";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 1, by striking "schools; relating to" and inserting "sensory impairments; relating to hearing and vision impairments and the provision of assistance related thereto; authorizing the Kansas commission for the deaf and hard of hearing to adopt rules and regulations for interpreters and interpreter services; establishing a sign language interpreter registration process; providing guidelines for communication access services; providing standards for"; also in line 1, by striking all after "screenings"; in line 2, by striking all before the semicolon; in line 5, by striking the first "and" and inserting a comma; also in line 5, before the second "and" by inserting ", 75-4355a, 75-4355b, 75-5391, 75-5393 and 75-5397a";

And your committee on conference recommends the adoption of this report.

STEVE HUEBERT
ADAM THOMAS
JERRY STOGSDILL

Conferees on part of House

MOLLY BAUMGARDNER
RENEE ERICKSON
DINAH SYKES

Conferees on part of Senate

Senator Baumgardner moved the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on **SB 62**.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 34; Nays 5; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Baumgardner, Billinger, Bowers, Claey's, Corson, Dietrich, Doll, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Hawk, Holland, Holscher, Kerschen, Kloos, Longbine, McGinn, O'Shea, Olson, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Pittman, Ryckman, Suellentrop, Sykes, Thompson, Ware, Warren, Wilborn.

Nays: Hilderbrand, Pyle, Steffen, Straub, Tyson.

Absent or Not Voting: Masterson.

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. SPEAKER and MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee on conference on Senate amendments to S Sub HB 2448 submits the following report:

The House accedes to all Senate amendments to the bill, and your committee on conference further agrees to amend the bill as printed as Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 2448, as follows:

On page 9, in line 12, after "to" by inserting ":

(i)";

Also on page 9, in line 13, after "dependents" by inserting "; and

(ii) individuals who are not employed at least 30 hours per week";

And your committee on conference recommends the adoption of this report.

RICHARD HILDERBRAND

BEVERLY GOSSAGE

PAT PETTEY

Conferees on part of Senate

SEAN TARWATER

AVERY ANDERSON

STEPHANIE CLAYTON

Conferees on part of House

Senator Gossage moved the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on **S Sub HB 2448**.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 28; Nays 11; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Baumgardner, Billinger, Bowers, Claeys, Dietrich, Doll, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Hilderbrand, Kerschen, Kloos, Longbine, McGinn, O'Shea, Olson, Peck, Petersen, Pyle, Ryckman, Steffen, Straub, Suellentrop, Thompson, Tyson, Warren, Wilborn.

Nays: Corson, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Hawk, Holland, Holscher, Pettey, Pittman, Sykes, Ware.

Absent or Not Voting: Masterson.

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. SPEAKER and MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee on conference on Senate amendments to HB 2476 submits the following report:

The House accedes to all Senate amendments to the bill, and your committee on conference further agrees to amend the bill as printed with Senate Committee amendments, as follows:

On page 4, following line 24, by inserting:

"New Sec. 4. (a) On and after January 1, 2023, any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles or trucks registered for a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less who is a resident of Kansas, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one city of Hutchinson license plate for each such passenger vehicle or truck. Such license plates shall be issued for the same time as other license plates upon proper registration and payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and either the payment to the county treasurer of the logo use royalty payment or the presentation of the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b).

(b) The city of Hutchinson may authorize the use of its flag image as its logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this section. Any royalty payment received pursuant to this section shall be used to support the Hutch rec foundation and park development in Hutchinson. Any motor vehicle owner or lessee may apply annually to

the city of Hutchinson for use of such logo. Such owner or lessee shall pay an amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 to the city of Hutchinson as a logo use royalty payment for each such license plate to be issued. The logo use royalty payment shall be paid to either:

(1) The city of Hutchinson, who shall issue to the motor vehicle owner or lessee, without further charge, a logo use authorization statement that shall be presented by the motor vehicle owner or lessee at the time of registration; or

(2) the county treasurer.

(c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section may make application for such license plate, not less than 60 days prior to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles. Any applicant for such license plate shall either provide the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b) or pay to the county treasurer the logo use royalty payment. Application for registration of a passenger vehicle or truck and the issuance of the license plate under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

(d) No registration or license plate issued under this section shall be transferable to any other person.

(e) The director of vehicles may transfer a city of Hutchinson license plate from a leased vehicle to a purchased vehicle.

(f) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and in the manner prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant provides to the county treasurer either the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b) or the payment of the annual royalty payment. If such statement is not presented at the time of registration or sent by the city of Hutchinson, or the annual royalty payment is not made to the county treasurer, the applicant shall be required to comply with the provisions of K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the license plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(g) The city of Hutchinson shall provide to all county treasurers an electronic mail address where applicants can contact the city of Hutchinson for information concerning the application process or the status of such applicant's license plate application.

(h) The city of Hutchinson, with the approval of the director of vehicles, shall design a plate to be issued under the provisions of this section.

(i) As a condition of receiving the city of Hutchinson license plate and any subsequent registration renewal of such license plate, the applicant shall consent to the division authorizing the division's release of motor vehicle record information, including the applicant's name, address, royalty payment amount, plate number and vehicle type to the city of Hutchinson and the state treasurer.

(j) The collection and remittance of annual royalty payments by the county treasurer shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,141(h), and amendments thereto, except that payments from the city of Hutchinson royalty fund shall be made on a monthly basis to the appropriate designee of the Hutch rec foundation. A change of the city's designee shall occur only by mutual agreement of the city of Hutchinson and the Hutch rec foundation.

New Sec. 5. (a) On and after January 1, 2023, any owner or lessee of one or more

passenger vehicles or trucks registered for a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less who is a resident of Kansas, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one daughters of the American revolution license plate for each such passenger vehicle or truck. Such license plate shall be issued for the same time as other license plates upon proper registration and payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and either the payment to the county treasurer of the logo use royalty payment or the presentation of the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b).

(b) The daughters of the American revolution may authorize the use of the organization's logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this section. Any motor vehicle owner or lessee may apply annually to the daughters of the American revolution for use of such logo. Such owner or lessee shall pay an amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 to the daughters of the American revolution as a logo use royalty payment for each such license plate to be issued. The logo use royalty payment shall be paid to either:

(1) The daughters of the American revolution, which shall issue to the motor vehicle owner or lessee, without further charge, a logo use authorization statement that shall be presented by the motor vehicle owner or lessee at the time of registration; or

(2) the county treasurer.

(c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section may make application for such license plate not less than 60 days prior to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for such license plate shall either provide the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b) or pay to the county treasurer the logo use royalty payment. Application for registration of a passenger vehicle or truck and issuance of the license plate under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

(d) No registration or license plate issued under this section shall be transferable to any other person.

(e) The director of vehicles may transfer a daughters of the American revolution license plate from a leased vehicle to a purchased vehicle.

(f) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and in the manner prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant provides to the county treasurer either the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b) or the payment of the annual royalty payment. If such statement is not presented at the time of registration or sent by the daughters of the American revolution, or the annual royalty payment is not made to the county treasurer, the applicant shall be required to comply with the provisions of K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the license plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(g) The daughters of the American revolution shall provide to all county treasurers an electronic mail address where applicants can contact the daughters of the American revolution for information concerning the application process or the status of such applicant's license plate application.

(h) The daughters of the American revolution, with the approval of the director of vehicles, shall design a plate to be issued under the provisions of this section.

(i) As a condition of receiving the daughters of the American revolution license plate and any subsequent registration renewal of such license plate, the applicant shall consent to the division authorizing the division's release of motor vehicle record information, including the applicant's name, address, royalty payment amount, plate number and vehicle type to the daughters of the American revolution and the state treasurer.

(j) The collection and remittance of annual royalty payments by the county treasurer shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,141(h), and amendments thereto.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-161 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-161. (a) Any disabled veteran as defined in K.S.A. 8-160, and amendments thereto, who resides in Kansas and who makes application to the director of vehicles on a form furnished by the director for registration of a motor vehicle that is a passenger vehicle, a truck with a gross weight of not more than 20,000 pounds, or a motorcycle and is owned or leased and used by such veteran may have such motor vehicle registered, and the director shall issue a distinctive license plate for it. Such license plate shall be issued for the same period of time as other license plates are issued. Such registration shall be made and such license plates issued free of charge to the disabled veteran. The director of vehicles shall also issue to the disabled veteran an individual identification card which must be carried by the disabled veteran when the motor vehicle being operated by the disabled veteran or used for the transportation of such disabled veteran is parked in a designated accessible parking space. Such distinctive license plate shall not be printed with the international symbol of access to the physically disabled unless the disabled veteran meets the definition of a person with a disability as defined in K.S.A. 8-1,124, and amendments thereto.

(b) Any Kansas resident who owns or leases a motor vehicle and who is responsible for the transportation of a disabled veteran or any resident disabled veteran desiring a distinctive license plate for a vehicle other than a motor vehicle owned or leased by the veteran may make application to the director of vehicles for such a license plate. Such license plate shall be issued for the same period of time as other license plates are issued. There shall be no fee for such license plates in addition to the regular registration fee. Such license plates shall not be printed with the international symbol of access to the physically disabled unless the applicant is responsible for the transportation of the disabled veteran who meets the definition of a person with a disability as defined in K.S.A. 8-1,124, and amendments thereto.

(c) (1) The director of vehicles shall design a special license plate to be issued as provided in this act. No registration or license plates issued under this act shall be transferable to any other person. No registration under this act shall be made until the applicant has filed with the director acceptable proof that the applicant is a disabled veteran as defined by K.S.A. 8-160, and amendments thereto, or is responsible for the transportation of such veteran. Any applicant who requests the international symbol of access to be printed on the applicant's distinctive license plate shall provide the director with acceptable proof that the applicant meets the definition of a person with a disability as defined in K.S.A. 8-1,124, and amendments thereto.

(2) Motor vehicles displaying the distinctive license plates ~~provided for in this act~~ with the international symbol of access displayed on such license plates shall be permitted to:

(A) Park in any parking space on public or private property which is clearly marked as being reserved for the use of persons with a disability or persons responsible for the transportation of a person with a disability, except a parking space on private property which is clearly marked as being reserved for the use of a specified person with a disability;

(B) park without charge in any metered zone ~~and~~. Such motor vehicle shall be exempt from any time limitation imposed on parking in any zone designated for parking; during the hours in which parking is permitted in any city; or

(C) park without charge in any parking space in a public parking facility or public parking lot if such parking space is clearly marked as being reserved for the use of persons with a disability or persons responsible for the transportation of a person with a disability and such public parking facility or public parking lot employs persons who are parking attendants ~~to~~ and who collect payment. Any parking occurring under the provisions of this subparagraph shall also comply with all regulations and restrictions posted at the entrance of the public parking facility or public parking lot by ~~its~~ the management thereof.

(3) Motor vehicles displaying the distinctive license plates without the international symbol of access on such license plates shall be permitted to:

(A) Park without charge in any metered zone. Such motor vehicle shall be exempt from any time limitation imposed on parking in any zone designated for parking during the hours in which parking is permitted in any city; or

(B) park without charge in any parking space in a public parking facility or public parking lot if such parking space is clearly marked as being reserved for the use of persons with a disability or persons responsible for the transportation of a person with a disability and such public parking facility or public parking lot employs persons who are parking attendants and who collect payment. Any parking occurring under the provisions of this subparagraph shall also comply with all regulations and restrictions posted at the entrance of the public parking facility or public parking lot by the management thereof.

(d) Any person who willfully and falsely represents that such person has the qualifications to obtain the distinctive license plates provided for by this section, or who falsely utilizes the parking privilege accorded by this section, shall be guilty of an unclassified misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$250.";

On page 6, following line 14, by inserting:

"Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-1,146 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,146.

(a) Any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles, trucks of a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less, motorcycles or travel trailers; who is a resident of the state of Kansas, ~~and who~~ submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles as provided in subsection (c), ~~in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue~~; that such person has proof of: (1) Having served and is designated as a veteran, and has had an honorable discharge from the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, space force or merchant marines; or (2) currently serving in the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, space force or merchant marines, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one distinctive license plate for each such passenger vehicle, truck, motorcycle or travel trailer designating such person as an United States military veteran. Such license ~~plates~~ plate shall be issued for the same period of time as other license plates upon proper

registration and payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto.

~~(b)~~ ~~On and after January 1, 2005,~~ Any person issued a license plate under this section may request a decal for each license plate indicating the appropriate military branch in which the person served or is currently serving.

~~(b)(c)~~ Any person who is a veteran or current member of the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, space force or merchant marines may make application for such distinctive license ~~plates~~ plate, not less than 60 days prior to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles, ~~and~~. Any applicant for the distinctive license ~~plates~~ plate shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a veteran or current member of the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, space force or merchant marines. As proof of military veteran status, an applicant may provide a DD214 form, a DD form 2 (Retired) or a Kansas driver's license with a veteran designation pursuant to K.S.A. 8-243(e), and amendments thereto. Application for the registration of a passenger vehicle, truck, motorcycle or travel trailer and issuance of the license plates under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

~~(e)(d)~~ No registration or distinctive license plates issued under the authority of this section shall be transferable to any other person.

~~(d)(e)~~ Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in ~~subsection (a) K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto,~~ and in the manner prescribed in ~~subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto.~~ No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant has filed with the director a form as provided in subsection ~~(b) (c)~~. If such form is not filed, the applicant shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the distinctive license plates to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

~~(e)(f)~~ A fee of \$2 shall be paid for each decal issued under subsection (a). The director of vehicles shall design such decals. Such decals shall be affixed to the license plate in the location required by the director.";

On page 8, in line 33, after "Supp." by inserting "8-161,"; also in line 33, after "8-1,141" by inserting ", 8-1,146";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 2, by striking "and" and inserting a comma; also in line 2, after the second "medal" by inserting ", city of Hutchinson and daughters of the American revolution"; in line 4, after the semicolon by inserting "allowing the printing of the international symbol of access for disabled veteran distinctive license plates and certain parking privileges for disabled veterans who meet certain physical disability definitions; allowing veteran distinctive license plate applicants to provide a DD214 form, DD form 2 (Retired) or a Kansas veteran driver's license as proof of veteran status;"; in line 5, after "Supp." by inserting "8-161,"; also in line 5, after "8-1,141" by inserting ", 8-1,146";

And your committee on conference recommends the adoption of this report.

MIKE PETERSEN
ELAINE BOWERS
TOM HAWK

Conferees on part of Senate

RICHARD PROEHL
 LEO DELPERDANG
 HENRY HELGERSON

Conferees on part of House

Senator Petersen moved the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on **HB 2476**.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Baumgardner, Billinger, Bowers, Claeys, Corson, Dietrich, Doll, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Hawk, Hilderbrand, Holland, Holscher, Kerschen, Kloos, Longbine, McGinn, O'Shea, Olson, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Pittman, Pyle, Ryckman, Steffen, Straub, Suellentrop, Sykes, Thompson, Tyson, Ware, Warren, Wilborn.

Absent or Not Voting: Masterson.

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. SPEAKER and MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee on conference on Senate amendments to HB 2478 submits the following report:

The House accedes to all Senate amendments to the bill, and your committee on conference further agrees to amend the bill as printed with Senate Committee amendments, as follows:

On page 2, following line 28, by inserting:

"Sec. 3. The portion of United States highway 69 from the northern junction of United States highway 69 and United States highway 54 in Bourbon county, then north on United States highway 69 to the Linn county line is hereby designated as the Senator Tom R Van Sickle memorial highway. Upon compliance with K.S.A. 68-10,114, and amendments thereto, the secretary of transportation shall place suitable signs to indicate that the highway is the Senator Tom R Van Sickle memorial highway.

Sec. 4. Bridge No. 19-0115 located between the intersections with K-126 and north grand street and K-126 and north rouse street in the city of Pittsburg in Crawford county is hereby designated as the Dennis Crain memorial bridge. Upon compliance with K.S.A. 68-10,114, and amendments thereto, the secretary of transportation shall place suitable signs to indicate that the bridge is the Dennis Crain memorial bridge.

Sec. 5. The portion of United States highway 69 from the northern junction of United States highway 69 and K-52 highway in Linn county, then south on United States highway 69 to the southern junction of United States highway 69 and K-52 highway is hereby designated as the AMM2c Walter Scott Brown memorial highway. Upon compliance with K.S.A. 68-10,114, and amendments thereto, the secretary of transportation shall place suitable signs to indicate that the highway is the AMM2c Walter Scott Brown memorial highway.

Sec. 6. Bridge no. 0011-B0072 located on K-66 highway in Cherokee county and bridge no. 0011-B0005 located on K-66 highway in Cherokee county are each hereby designated as the veterans memorial bridge. Upon compliance with K.S.A. 68-10,114, and amendments thereto, the secretary of transportation shall place suitable signs to

indicate that each bridge is the veterans memorial bridge.";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 4, after "highway" by inserting "; designating a portion of United States highway 69 as the Senator Tom R Van Sickle memorial highway; designating a certain bridge on K-126 as the Dennis Crain memorial bridge; designating a portion of United States highway 69 as the AMM2c Walter Scott Brown memorial highway; designating bridges on K-66 highway as veterans memorial bridge";

And your committee on conference recommends the adoption of this report.

MIKE PETERSEN

ELAINE BOWERS

TOM HAWK

Conferees on part of Senate

RICHARD PROEHL

LEO DELPERDANG

HENRY HELGERSON

Conferees on part of House

Senator Petersen moved the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on **HB 2478**.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Baumgardner, Billinger, Bowers, Claeys, Corson, Dietrich, Doll, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Hawk, Hilderbrand, Holland, Holscher, Kerschen, Kloos, Longbine, McGinn, O'Shea, Olson, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Pittman, Pyle, Ryckman, Steffen, Straub, Suellentrop, Sykes, Thompson, Tyson, Ware, Warren, Wilborn.

Absent or Not Voting: Masterson.

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. SPEAKER and MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee on conference on Senate amendments to HB 2595 submits the following report:

The House accedes to all Senate amendments to the bill, and your committee on conference further agrees to amend the bill as printed with Senate Committee amendments, as follows:

On page 1, in line 32, by striking "50" and inserting "60";

On page 2, in line 1, by striking "50" and inserting "60";

On page 1, in the title, in line 3, by striking "50" and inserting "60";

And your committee on conference recommends the adoption of this report.

MIKE PETERSEN

ELAINE BOWERS

TOM HAWK

Conferees on part of Senate

RICHARD PROEHL

LEO DELPERDANG

HENRY HELGERSON

Conferees on part of House

Senator Petersen moved the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on **HB 2595**.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Baumgardner, Billinger, Bowers, Claeys, Corson, Dietrich, Doll, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Hawk, Hilderbrand, Holland, Holscher, Kerschen, Kloos, Longbine, McGinn, O'Shea, Olson, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Pittman, Pyle, Ryckman, Steffen, Straub, Suellentrop, Sykes, Thompson, Tyson, Ware, Warren, Wilborn.

Absent or Not Voting: Masterson.

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO CONCUR AND NONCONCUR

Senator Longbine moved the Senate concur in House amendments to **H Sub SB 28**.

H Sub SB 28, AN ACT concerning insurance; relating to the regulation of pharmacy benefits managers; requiring licensure rather than registration of such entities; enacting the pharmacy benefits manager licensure act; amending K.S.A. 40-3821, 40-3822, 40-3823, 40-3824, 40-3825, 40-3826, 40-3827, 40-3829 and 40-3830 and repealing the existing sections.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Baumgardner, Billinger, Bowers, Claeys, Corson, Dietrich, Doll, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Hawk, Hilderbrand, Holland, Holscher, Kerschen, Kloos, Longbine, McGinn, O'Shea, Olson, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Pittman, Pyle, Ryckman, Steffen, Straub, Suellentrop, Sykes, Thompson, Tyson, Ware, Warren, Wilborn.

Absent or Not Voting: Masterson.

The Senate concurred.

On motion of Senator Alley, the Senate recessed until 7:00 p.m.

The Senate met pursuant to recess with President Masterson in the chair.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The House adopts the Conference Committee report on **Sub SB 563**.

The House accedes to the request of the Senate for a conference on **H Sub Sub SB 84** and has appointed Representatives Barker, Arnberger and Ruiz, L. as conferees on the part of the House.

ORIGINAL MOTION

On motion of Senator Olson, the Senate acceded to the request of the House for a conference on **HB 2237**.

The President appointed Senators Olson, Hilderbrand and Faust-Goudeau as conferees on the part of the Senate.

CHANGE OF CONFERENCE

Senator Olson is appointed to replace Senator Alley as a member of the conference committee on **S Sub HB 2138**.

Senators Baumgardner, Erickson and Sykes are appointed to replace Senators Warren, Wilborn, and Haley as members of the conference committee on **SB 160**.

ORIGINAL MOTION

Senator Alley moved Joint Rule 3(f) be suspended and the 30 minute rule be waived on the conference committee report on **Sub SB 563**.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. PRESIDENT and MR. SPEAKER: Your committee on conference on House amendments to **Sub SB 563** submits the following report:

The Senate accedes to all House amendments to the bill, and your committee on conference further agrees to amend the bill as printed with House Committee of the Whole amendments, as follows:

On page 158, following line 36, by inserting:

"Sec. 174. In accordance with section 3 of article 6 of the constitution of the state of Kansas, the state of Kansas is divided into 10 single-member state board of education districts.

Sec. 175. The senatorial districts referred to in sections 177 through 186 are those senatorial districts established by sections 5 through 44.

Sec. 176. The provisions of this act shall not affect the term of any member of the state board of education elected to represent a district at the general election of 2020 or the term of any successor to such member serving for an unexpired term. All such members shall continue to serve the districts from which elected until such members elected from the districts established by this act commence their terms of office in January of 2025.

Sec. 177. State board of education member district one shall consist of senatorial districts 1, 5, 18 and 22.

Sec. 178. State board of education member district two shall consist of senatorial districts 4, 6, 7 and 8.

Sec. 179. State board of education member district three shall consist of senatorial districts 11, 23, 35 and 37.

Sec. 180. State board of education member district four shall consist of senatorial districts 3, 9, 10 and 21.

Sec. 181. State board of education member district five shall consist of senatorial districts 36, 38, 39 and 40.

Sec. 182. State board of education member district six shall consist of senatorial districts 2, 17, 19 and 20.

Sec. 183. State board of education member district seven shall consist of senatorial districts 24, 31, 33 and 34.

Sec. 184. State board of education member district eight shall consist of senatorial districts 25, 28, 29 and 30.

Sec. 185. State board of education member district nine shall consist of senatorial districts 12, 13, 14 and 15.

Sec. 186. State board of education member district ten shall consist of senatorial districts 16, 26, 27 and 32.";

Also on page 158, in line 38, by striking "and" and inserting a comma; also in line 38, after "4-4,494" by inserting ", 4-514 and 4-526";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 1, by striking "and" and inserting a comma; in line 2, after "representative" by inserting "and board of education"; in line 4, by striking "and" and inserting a comma; also in line 4, after "4-4,494" by inserting ", 4-514 and 4-526";

And your committee on conference recommends the adoption of this report.

CHRIS CROFT

BRAD RALPH

TOM BURROUGHS

Conferees on part of House

RICK WILBORN

TY MASTERSON

DINAH SYKES

Conferees on part of Senate

Senator Wilborn moved the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on **Sub SB 563**.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 29; Nays 11; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Billinger, Bowers, Claeys, Dietrich, Doll, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Gossage, Hawk, Hilderbrand, Kerschen, Kloos, Longbine, Masterson, McGinn, O'Shea, Olson, Peck, Petersen, Pittman, Ryckman, Steffen, Suellentrop, Thompson, Ware, Warren, Wilborn.

Nays: Baumgardner, Corson, Francisco, Haley, Holland, Holscher, Pettey, Pyle, Straub, Sykes, Tyson.

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

Mr. President: I strongly support the Senate and State Board of Education Map, but I have concerns about the way the House constructed their districts in my home area of Cloud County. I believe there were better ways to draw those boundaries that would have been easier to understand for voters to understand. However, in spite of those concerns, I respect the process and I vote Yes."—ELAINE BOWERS

Mr. President: I vote No on the CCR on **Sub SB 563**. The Liberty Three Kansas state senate redistricting map, if enacted, would separate the communities of interest (Tonganoxie, east and south Lawrence, Eudora and Baldwin City) currently contained within the boundaries of the existing KS State Third Senate District. Current boundaries were established by a federal district court on June 7th, 2012 following the inability of the Kansas legislature to enact U.S. congressional, state senate and state house districts. During General Orders on March 16th, 2022 I offered an alternative senate redistricting map (Free State 5) for consideration. Bill language and maps defining the amendment can respectively be found at:

1. fa_2022_sb563_s_3724 (kslegislature.org)
2. map_fa_freestate5_3724 (kslegislature.org)

The proposed 9th District is less compact as assessed by all 10 measures of compactness. The proposed 19th District boundaries attempt to establish a community of interest between east Topeka (urban) and north Lawrence (suburban); such a community does not exist. The proposed State House redistricting map separates the communities of interest for the existing 10th District. The proposed State Board of Education redistricting map separates communities of interest for Wyandotte County.—
TOM HOLLAND

On motion of Senator Alley, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 31, 2022.

CHARLENE BAILEY, CINDY SHEPARD, *Journal Clerks.*

COREY CARNAHAN, *Secretary of the Senate.*

