

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE INSURANCE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clark Shultz at 3:30 P.M. on February 8, 2005 in Room 527-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Bonnie Sharp- excused

Representative Ray Cox- excused

Committee staff present:

Melissa Calderwood, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Terri Weber, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes Office

Sue Fowler, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Jarrold Forbes, Topeka, KS

Cal Lantis, Ottawa, KS

William Sneed, Topeka, KS

Brad Smoot, Topeka, KS

David A. Hanson, Topeka, KS

Others attending:

See attached list.

Hearing on:

HB 2173: **Insurance; prohibiting counting an insurance related inquiry as an insurance claim.**

Melissa Calderwood, Kansas Legislative Research Department, gave a brief overview of **HB 2173**.

Proponents:

Jarrold Forbes, Kansas Insurance Department, (Attachment #1), appeared before the committee in support of **HB 2173**.

Cal Lantis, Kansas Association of Realtors, (Attachment #2), presented testimony in support of **HB 2173**.

Opponents:

William W. Sneed, Legislative Counsel for The State Farm Insurance, (Attachment #3), presented testimony in opposition to **HB 2173**.

Brad Smoot, American Insurance Association, (Attachment #4), appeared before the committee in opposition to **HB 2173**.

David A. Hanson, Kansas Association of Property and Casualty Insurance Companies and PCI, the Property Casualty Insurers Association of America, (Attachment #5), presented testimony in opposition to **HB 2173**.

Hearing closed on **HB 2173**.

Hearing on:

HB 2174: **Insurance; prohibiting loss of coverage of homeowner's insurance for filing on weather related claim.**

Melissa Calderwood, Kansas Legislative Research Department, gave a brief overview of **HB 2174**.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE House Insurance Committee at 3:30 P.M. on February 8, 2005 in Room 527-S of the Capitol.

Proponents:

Jarrold Forbes, Kansas Insurance Department, (Attachment #6), gave testimony in support of **HB 2174**.

Cal Lantis, Kansas Association of Realtors, (Attachment #7), gave testimony in support of **HB 2174**.

Opponents:

William W. Sneed, Legislative Counsel for The State Farm Insurance Companies, (Attachment #8), presented testimony in opposition to **HB 2174**.

Brad Smoot, American Insurance Association (AIA), (Attachment #9), presented testimony in opposition of **HB 2174**.

David A. Hanson, Kansas Association of Property and Casualty Insurance Companies and PCI, the Property Casualty Insurers Association of America, (Attachment #10), appeared before the committee in opposition to **HB 2174**.

Lee Wright, Farmers Insurance, (Attachment #11), presented written testimony in opposition to **HB 2174**.

Richard E. Wilborn, Farmers Alliance, (Attachment #12), presented written testimony in opposition to **HB 2174**.

Hearing closed on **HB 2174**.

Discussion and possible action:

HB 2171 - Insurance; risk-based capital requirements.

Representative Dillmore moved **HB 2171** favorable for passage. Seconded by Representative Grant. Passed unanimously.

HB 2172 - Insurance agents; revocation of license.

Representative Grant moved **HB 2172** favorable for passage. Seconded by Representative Dillmore. Passed unanimously.

Next meeting will be Thursday, February 10, 2005.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.