MINUTES OF THE HOUSE VETERANS, MILITARY AND HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don Myers at 1:30 p.m. on January 21, 2010, in Room 785 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:

Representative Delia Garcia - excused Representative Lee Tafanelli - excused Representative Pat George - excused.

Committee staff present:

Art Griggs, Office of the Revisor of Statutes Doug Taylor, Office of the Revisor of Statutes Corey Carnahan, Kansas Legislative Research Department Lauren Douglass, Kansas Legislative Research Department Barbara Lewerenz, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

None

Others attending:

See attached list.

Moved by Representative Crow and seconded by Representative Goyle for approval of minutes as amended of the House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security, held January 19, 2010, Motion Carried

Chairman Myers recognized Representative Meier for her recent military service in Iraq and welcomed her back to the Committee.

The Chairman said a letter requesting consideration in budget cuts for the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, signed by Chairman Myers, Vice Chairman Goico and Ranking Minority Goyle would be sent to the appropriate Budget Committees.

Representative Gatewood announced that his bill introduction, HB 2480 - Concerning certain public employees; relating to leaves of absence with pay for certain disaster service volunteers, has been referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Military and Homeland Security.

Moved by Representative Crow and seconded by Representative Goyle to amend the Kansas Constitution to ensure military personnel are properly counted. Motion Carried.

Representative Goico announced that a Tanker Refueling Mission Trip may be possible in late February.

Doug Taylor, Office of Revisor of Statues, briefed the Committee on SB 201 - An Act Concerning the display of the flag of the United States at half-staff.

Chairman Myers opened the hearing on SB 201. There were no proponents or opponents. Chairman Myers closed the hearing.

The Chairman announced the next meeting will be January 26.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

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