

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Gary Hayzlett at 1:35 p.m. on February 6, 2002 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Aday, excused
Representative Beggs, excused

Committee staff present:

Bruce Kinzie, Revisor
Chris Courtright, Legislative Research Department
Ellie Luthye, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Steve Kearney, Kansas Association of Auto Recyclers
Mark Schrieber, Westsar Energy
Representative Compton
Representative Stone
Carole O'Dell
Kathryn Kayser
Cameron Stebral

Others attending:

See attached sheet

Chairman Hayzlett called for bill introductions. Steve Kearney requested a bill which would create two separate licenses, instead of a dual license, for salvage dealers and used car dealers. Representative Humerickhouse made a motion to introduce this bill, seconded by Representative Vickery and the motion carried.

Mark Schrieber requested a bill be introduced which would repeal Kansas Statute 68-163 concerning the approval of plans and specifications by the corporation commission regarding lighting system. (Attachment 1) Representative Osborne made a motion to introduce this bill, seconded by Representative Levinson and the motion carried.

Representative Pauls made a motion to introduce a bill which would give an additional method for reinstatement of drivers' license or vehicle tag to a person without insurance who was involved in an accident which was not their fault. This was seconded by Howell and the motion carried.

HB 2658 - designating part of U.S. highway 400 as Clayton J. Connell memorial highway

Representative Mary Compton said she was contacted by the Fredonia City Council to introduce this bill in memory of Clayton Connell who worked from an idea stage to the finish of a super-two highway from Wichita to Joplin. She stated this is a small section, about ten miles from Fredonia to Neodesha. (Attachment 2) She then introduced City Commissioner Carole Odell to speak to the committee.

She told the committee that Mr. Connell had spent many hours working on the Highways for Progress committee because he felt that such a transportation route was vital to the economy of southeast Kansas as well as having a modern and safe thoroughfare for travel. She said the cost of the signs would be approximately \$350.00 each and that donations would take care of this expense. She concluded that it would be fitting and appropriate to name this section of the highway adjacent to Fredonia in Clayton Connell's honor. (Attachment 3)

There were no opponents. Following discussion Chairman Hayzlett closed hearings on **HB 2658.**

HB 2656 - license plates for survivors of attack on Pearl Harbor

Representative Stone stated **HB 2656** would make it possible for the family of survivors of the attack on Pearl Harbor to retain their license plate after their death. He then introduced Kathryn Kayser who spoke in support of this bill. She said the Pearl Harbor Survivor license plates are wonderful keepsakes for the families of those honored by this license plate and she asked the committee to please support **HB 2656**. (Attachment 4)

Cameron Stebral addressed the committee next. He said Ben Phillips was his great grandpa and he would like to have his license plate someday. (Attachment 5)

Chairman Hayzlett closed hearings on **HB 2656**.

Since there were no opponents, and with no objection from the committee, Chairman Hayzlett called for final action on **HB 2658**. Representative Compton made a motion to pass HB 2658 favorably, seconded by Representative Powell and the motion carried.

Chairman Hayzlett called for final action on **HB 2656**. Representative Ballou made a motion to pass HB 2656 and place it on the Consent Calendar, seconded by Representative Levinson and the motion carried.

Chairman Hayzlett adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m. The next meeting of the House Transportation Committee will be held on Thursday, February 7, 2002.