REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **HB 2477**, as amended by House Committee of the Whole, be amended on page 3, in line 5, by striking "May 15, 2022" and inserting "January 20, 2023"; following line 5, by inserting:

- "Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 48-965 is hereby amended to read as follows: 48-965. (a) Notwithstanding any statute to the contrary, the state board of healing arts may grant a temporary emergency license to practice any profession licensed, certified, registered or regulated by the board to an applicant with qualifications the board deems sufficient to protect public safety and welfare within the scope of professional practice authorized by the temporary emergency license for the purpose of preparing for, responding to or mitigating any effect of COVID-19.
- (b) Notwithstanding any statute to the contrary, an applicant may practice in Kansas pursuant to a temporary emergency license upon submission of a non-resident healthcare provider certification form to the Kansas healthcare stabilization fund and without paying the surcharge required by K.S.A. 40-3404, and amendments thereto.
- (c) No temporary emergency license shall be issued to practice a profession unless such profession is required by law to be licensed, certified or registered in the state of Kansas.
 - (d) This section shall expire on March 31, 2022 January 20, 2023.";

On page 5, in line 12, after "Kansas" by inserting "for the purpose of preparing for, responding to or mitigating any effect of COVID-19"; in line 20, by striking the colon; in line 21, by striking "(1)"; in line 22, by striking all after "Kansas"; by striking all in lines 23 and 24; in line 25, by striking all before the period; also in line 25, after the period by inserting "Within

seven calendar days of initiating practice in Kansas, such healthcare professional shall notify the appropriate regulatory body in Kansas that such professional is practicing in Kansas pursuant to this subsection by submitting information on a form and in a manner prescribed by such regulatory body. Any healthcare professional practicing in Kansas pursuant to this subsection shall be:

- (1) Subject to all rules and regulations applicable to the practice of the licensed profession in this state; and
- (2) considered a licensee for the purposes of the applicable professional practice act administered by the applicable regulatory body.";

Also on page 5, in line 42, after the semicolon by inserting "and"; in line 43, by striking all after "education";

On page 6, in line 1, by striking all before the period; in line 31, by striking all before the period and inserting "January 20, 2023"; in line 32, after "Supp." by inserting "48-965 and"; also in line 32, by striking "is" and inserting "are";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 5, after the semicolon by inserting "extending the authority of the state board of healing arts to issue temporary emergency licenses; limiting the professions for which such licenses may be issued;"; also in line 5, after "Supp." by inserting "48-965 and"; in line 6, by striking "section" and inserting "sections"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Chairperson