

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Morrison at 1:30 p.m. on March 10, 2004, in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Brenda Landwehr- excused
Representative Sue Storm- excused
Representative Joe McLeland - excused

Committee staff present:

Dr. William Wolff, Legislative Research Department
Rena Jefferies, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Gary Deeter, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Gwendolyn Cargnel, Director of Government Relations, American Cancer Society
Jan Lyle, RN
Paula Marmet, Director, Office of Health Promotion, Kansas Department of Health and Environment

Others attending:

See Attached List.

The Committee minutes for March 9 were approved.

Chairing the hearings were Representatives Tom Holland and Stephanie Sharp. Representative Sharp opened the hearing on [HR 6010](#), a bill concerning cervical cancer screening. Representative Jo Ann Pottorff, a sponsor of the bill, provided written testimony. ([Attachment 1](#))

Gwendolyn Cargnel, Director of Government Relations, American Cancer Society, spoke in support of the resolution. She said that by promoting education, the resolution has the potential to reach a segment of the population that may miss the opportunities that come with early detection of cervical cancer. ([Attachment 2](#))

Jan Lyle, RN, recounted her story how early detection of cancer allowed her to be treated successfully. ([Attachment 3](#))

The Chair noted that an amendment will be offered to change the wording on the resolution so that it will be directed toward the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) rather than to the House Health and Human Services Committee.

The Chair closed the hearing on [HR 6010](#).

Representative Holland opened the hearing on [SB 366](#), which expands the health-care provider definitions

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for reporting to the cancer registry.

Paula Marmet, Director, Office of Health Promotion, Division of Health, KDHE, spoke as a proponent. ([Attachment 4](#)) She said that current law authorizes the Secretary of KDHE to collect data pertaining to all cancers in Kansas, but exempts physicians from reporting. Noting that the number of reported occurrences of cancer has been declining, KDHE concluded that, because an increasing number of physicians have moved out of hospital settings and into separate practice, more cases of cancer fail to be reported. She said that federal funding for this program is based on 90% reporting within one year, 95% after 2 years, further stating that several other states have recently added active physician reporting to their statutes. She urged the Committee to improve cancer reporting in Kansas.

The Chair closed the hearing on **SB 366**.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to work **SB 511**.

A motion was made and properly seconded to pass out favorably **SB 511** and place it on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed.

Staff Bill Wolff outlined the main points of two bills to be heard the next day. He said that **SB 443** amends statutes regarding disciplinary action under the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board, noting that the Board regulates a number of professional entities, most licensed or registered; the bill amends the disciplinary powers as to condition, revocation, suspension, limitation, and refusal to issue a license. The Board additionally is allowed to assess a penalty, charge the cost of action to licensee, issue a cease and desist order, issue an injunction or restraining order, or censure a licensee.

Regarding **SB 452**, Dr. Wolff said that the bill concerns doctoral level psychologists, who under current law are allowed to hire psychologist assistants to work under them without a license. He stated that the proposed statute prohibits any such practice in the future, but grandparents into licensure those who are currently working under a psychologist without a license. Answering a question, Dr. Wolff said the grandparent clause was added when it was discovered that some psychologist assistants were presently practicing without a license.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to work **HR 6010**.

A motion was made and seconded to amend the resolution to direct the Secretary of KDHE rather than the House Health and Human Services Committee to review the data.. The motion passed.

It was moved, seconded as passed to recommend **HR 6010** as amended as favorable for passage.

By motion and second the Committee recommended **SB 366** as favorable for passage, further recommending it be placed on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed.

The Chair alerted the Committee to his intention to work **SB 418** the following day, noting that **SB 453**

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would be held for a possible amendment. He announce a plan to meet during veto session to finalize the report to the Legislative Coordinating Council regarding the Electronic Committee Project.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:03 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 11, 2004.