

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ENERGY AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl Holmes at 9:15 A.M. on January 13, 2011 in Room 785 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Cindy Lash, Kansas Legislative Research
Corey Carnahan, Kansas Legislative Research
Matt Sterling, Kansas Legislative Revisor
Renaë Hansen, Administrative Assistant

Others attending:

Forty including the attached list.

Representative Holmes noted that we will be meeting next Thursday despite the House trip to Ft. Riley as no one from the committee has signed up to attend.

Bill introductions will be offered beginning next week.

Representative Tom Sloan presented an article from The New York Times on the importing of coal by China from other countries. ([Attachment 1](#))

Lobbyists spoke to the committee on the various entities they represent.

Included on the list of individuals who spoke to the committee are:

- Mike Murray-Next Era Energy Resources
- Lon Stanton-Northern Natural Gas
- John Federico- Kansas Cable Telecommunications Association
- Coleen Jennison/Schneider, Cox
- Steve Hahn, AT&T
- John Idoux, Century Link
- Patrick Fucik, Sprint
- Deena Fisk, Verizon
- Darcy Meese, Water One
- Dan Nagengast, Kansas Rural Center
- Trudy Aron, American Institute of Architects

Informational hearing on:

Weatherization

Ray Hammarlund, KCC, provided testimony explaining the weatherization program in Kansas ([Attachment 2](#)). Additionally, included in his information were several maps :

- Efficiency Kansas Partner Lenders and Partner Utilities ([Attachment 3](#))
- Efficiency Kansas Energy Audits and Completed Projects ([Attachment 4](#))
- Recovery Act Block Grant Programs and Projects ([Attachment 5](#))

CONTINUATION SHEET

The minutes of the House Energy and Utilities Committee at 9:00 A.M. on January 13, 2011, in Room 785 of the Docking State Office Building.

Mr Hammarlund explained to the committee several programs that the Kansas Energy Office promotes and runs in the state of Kansas including: The Facility Conservation Improvement Program, Efficiency Kansas, and Energy-Efficiency Conservation Block Grants.

Dennis Mesa, Kansas Housing Resources Corporation, (Attachment 6) presented information on the weatherization program activity in the state of Kansas that is offered through their office.

Questions were asked and comments made by Representatives: Nile Dillmore, Carl Holmes, Annie Kuether, Forrest Knox, and Vern Swanson.

Other staff of KCC and KHRC helped to answer questions asked by the committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 A.M.