

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Stan Clark at 9:30 a.m. on March 12, 2002 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes
Ann McMorris, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Rep. Carl Holmes
Stuart Lowry, Kansas City Electric Cooperatives
David McCoy, Great Plains Power
Mark Schreiber, Westar Energy

Others attending: See attached list.

The committee members were provided information regarding a new study entitled "Generating Solutions - how states are putting renewable energy into action" that ranks Kansas #1 in Wind and Overall Renewable Energy Potential. ([Attachment 1](#))

On March 11, 2002 the committee members were invited to a Homeland Security Briefing at the Kansas Defense Building. Chairman Clark explained where three or more committee members attend as a group, the law requires that the chair call a meeting to order and minutes be prepared.

In regard to the reappointment of Brian Moline as a member of the KCC which has been assigned to the Utilities Committee for the confirmation process, Chair asked the committee to let him know by 5:00 p.m. today if they felt Mr. Moline needed to appear before the committee for a hearing before voting whether to recommend his confirmation.

Chair opened the hearing on:

HB 2746 - Station power exempted from retail electric suppliers act.

Proponents:

Rep. Carl D. Holmes ([Attachment 2](#))

Stuart Lowry, Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. ([Attachment 3](#))

David M. McCoy, Great Plains Power, Inc. ([Attachment 4](#))

Mr. McCoy offered an amendment.

Mark Schreiber, Westar Energy ([Attachment 5](#))

After questions from the committee regarding the proposed amendment and language in **HB 2746**, the Chair continued the hearing on **HB 2746** and asked for input from the proponents on the proposed amendment.

Moved by Senator Emler, seconded by Senator Barone, minutes for the February 26, 2002, March 7, 2002 and March 11, 2002 meetings be approved with correction in February 26 minutes by striking the recorded "NO" votes on **SB 546**. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Senate Utilities Committee will be held on March 13, 2002.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted

Ann McMorris, Secretary

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