

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl Holmes at 9:00 A.M. on January 10, 2006 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Melody McCray-Miller- excused

Committee staff present:

Mary Galligan, Kansas Legislative Research
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research
Mary Torrence, Revisor's Office
Heather Klaasen, Research Intern
Rena Hansen, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairman Carl Holmes opened the meeting by welcoming the two new Committee members Representative Mitch Holmes and Representative Richard Proehl. Each Representative introduced themselves and told which district they represented. Staff and committee gallery members also introduced themselves.

A sheet with bill proposals was handed out (Attachment 1).

Representative Tom Sloan moved to accept all of the conceptual ideas for bill introduction. Seconded by Representative Rob Olson. Motion passed.

There was some background information given on a few of the bills. It was commented that there might be additional bills to be introduced coming out of the Joint Select Committee on Energy.

Chairman Holmes asked for suggestions for briefings to be presented in Committee. Representative Jim Morrison suggested we might want some information on the Sprint spin-off. Representative Annie Kuether suggested the committee have an update on KAN-ED.

Chairman Holmes commented we have 29 Committee days till turn around and that we have quite a few bills to hear. Tomorrow we will hear from Ed Kross, KIOGA on the oil and gas industry.

Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2006.