

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl D. Holmes at 9:11 a.m. on March 1, 2001 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present: Lynne Holt, Legislative Research
Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes
Jo Cook, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: None

Others attending: See Attached List

Rep. Dillmore moved to approved the minutes of the February 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12 meetings. Rep. Dreher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Holmes announced he would entertain a motion to remove **HB 2266** from the table. Rep. Sloan moved to lift **HB 2266** from the table and continue the debate, Rep. Myers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

HB 2266 - Independent power producers, coal-fired generation; exemption from regulation; bonds for pollution control devices; property tax

Chairman Holmes addressed each section of the balloon adopted on February 21, 2001 by explaining the individual changes, additions and deletions. Reps. Morrison and Merrick distributed a balloon with suggested amendments to Sections 1, 2, 6, and 7. Rep. Merrick moved to adopt the amendments. Rep. McLeland seconded the motion. A request to divide the motion was granted. On the first item to strike Section 1(e)(2), motion failed. On the second item to add new Section 2(c), motion failed. On the third item to add the words 'including pollution control devices' to Section 6(a) between the words 'facilities' and 'described', motion failed. On the fourth item to add new Section 7(c), motion failed. Rep. Myers distributed proposed amendments and moved the adoption thereof. Rep. Krehbiel seconded the motion. A request to divide the motion was granted. On the first item to add new subsection (C) to Section 1(e)(2), motion carried. On the second item to add new subsection (D) to Section 1(e)(2), motion failed. Rep. Sloan moved to adopt a conceptual motion that would use the same language as Rep. Myers new subsection (D) from the previous motion, but add that once on the tax roles, the plant could not come off and they would report to the corporation commission and if they exceed the 20% it would then be reported to the Department of Revenue. Rep. O'Brien seconded the motion. Motion failed. Rep. Myers distributed a second proposed amendment to add new Section 6(b) and moved the adoption thereof. Rep. Krehbiel seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rep. McClure moved to adopt a conceptual motion that would have the Corporation Commission report, annually, to the Department of Revenue. Rep. Dillmore seconded the motion, motion carried. Rep. Sloan moved to recommend **HB 2266**, as amended, favorable for passage. Rep. Myers seconded the motion. Motion carried. Chairman Holmes will carry the bill.

SCR 1607 - In support of the development of a federal energy policy

Chairman Holmes opened the debate on **SCR 1607**. Rep. Kuether moved to recommend **SCR 1607** favorable for adoption. Rep. O'Brien seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rep. Williams will carry the resolution.

The meeting adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

The next meeting is Monday, March 5, 2001.