

Approved: March 2, 2006
Date

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl Holmes at 9:00 A.M. on January 11, 2005 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Vaughn Flora- 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:
Ed Cross, KIOGA

Others attending:
See attached list.

Chairman Holmes asked if there were any more bill requests.

Representative Carl Krehbiel moved to offer a bill that would require individuals who sign up for a conference to opt in to get email from other companies or else the company would have to pay a fine. Seconded by Representative Jason Watkins. Motion passed.

Ed Cross, KIOGA, (Attachment 1), gave a power point presentation Oil and Gas: The Brave New World for Consumers and Energy Producers.

Questions were asked by Representatives: Peggy Mast, Tom Sloan, Josh Svaty, Carl Holmes, Margaret Long, Lynne Oharah, Rob Olson, Forrest Knox, Melody Miller, Jim Morrison, and Don Myers.

Representative Sloan moved to introduce a bill that would offer incentives for broadband deployment in non-urban areas. Seconded by Representative Jim Morrison. Motion Passed.

Chairman Holmes reminded members to be on time as the committee will often times work bills at the beginning of a meeting and committee members might miss a chance to add amendments or vote on a bill.

Next meeting scheduled for January 12, 2006.

Meeting Adjourned.