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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl D. Holmes at 9:08 a.m. on February 21, 2002 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Judy Morrison

Committee staff present: Robert Chapman, Legislative Research  
Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research  
Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes  
Jo Cook, Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee: None

Others attending: See Attached List

**HB 2661 - Retail electric suppliers; service rights in area annexed by city; procedures; compensation when service rights terminated**

Chairman Holmes opened the debate on **HB 2661**. **Representative Krehbiel moved to report HB 2661 favorably for passage. Representative Kuether seconded the motion. Motion carried.** Representative Krehbiel will carry the bill.

**HB 2644 - Automatic pass through to customers of certain electric and natural gas utility costs for security measures**

Chairman Holmes stated that the committee would have an informal discussion, without debate, on the bill. A proposed substitute (Attachment 1) was distributed and discussed. Paula Lentz, Assistant General Counsel for the Kansas Corporation Commission, provided detail on the proposed substitute as approved by the Commission. Following discussion, Chairman Holmes announced that the bill would be worked the following day.

**HB 2754 - Telecommunications; affordable rates; quality of service; standards**

Chairman Holmes opened the floor for discussion on the bill and announced that the bill would be worked the first part of the following week. Representative McClure has asked the Corporation Commission for copies of Order #'s 6, 7 and 9 that pertain to this proposed legislation.

Chairman Holmes stated we would hold a hearing on **HB 2959** tomorrow and may work the bill then.

Meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

Next meeting will be February 22, 2002.