

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl D. Holmes at 9:09 a.m. on March 6, 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

Chairman Holmes announced that the resolution regarding life-cycle costs was ready and he would entertain a motion to introduce. Rep. Loyd moved to introduce the resolution and Rep. Alldritt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**HB 2006 - Sales tax exemption for water district purchases**

Chairman Holmes opened the debate on **HB 2006**. Rep. Sloan outlined the history of the bill and provided information on the proposed changes. He then addressed revisions to the proposed substitute previously distributed. Rep. Sloan moved to adopt the proposed substitute for **HB 2006**. Rep. Dahl seconded the motion, motion carried. Rep. Myers moved to adopt a conceptual motion that allows all 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> class cities to 'opt out'. Rep. McLeland seconded the motion. Following discussion, the motion was withdrawn. Rep. Myers moved to amend the bill allowing all public water systems to have the opportunity to 'opt in' or 'opt out' on an annual basis. Rep. McLeland seconded the motion. Following a request to divide the question and further discussion, the motion was withdrawn. Rep. Loyd moved to amend new Section 4(b) to delete the language 'with sales of more than 3 billion gallons of water per year' and at the end of the sentence add the phrase 'provided such notice is given on or before October 1, 2001' and that such decision shall be irrevocable. Rep. McLeland seconded the motion, motion failed. Rep. Alldritt moved to amend new Section 4(b) to include all public water systems in the program and they will have until October 1, 2001 to 'opt out' of this program and that decision is irrevocable. Rep. Krehbiel seconded the motion. The motion was withdrawn. Rep. Alldritt then resubmitted the motion to include changing the effective date of the act to January 1, 2002. Rep. McLeland seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rep. Sloan moved to adopt technical changes proposed in the revised balloon distributed. Rep. Dahl seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rep. Krehbiel moved to recommend **Substitute for HB 2006**, as amended, favorable for passage. Rep. Alldritt seconded the motion. Motion carried. Representatives Lightner, Merrick and McLeland requested their NO vote be recorded. Rep. Sloan will carry the bill.

Rep. Dillmore moved to approve the minutes of the February 13, 14, 15 and 19 meetings. Rep. Long seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

Next meeting is Wednesday, March 7, 2001.