

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dennis Hedke at 9:00 am on Monday, January 26, 2015, 582-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Kasha Kelley – Excused
Representative Annie Kuether – Excused

Committee staff present:

Cindy Lash, Legislative Research Department
Patricia Kready, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant
Erica Haas, Legislative Research Department
Matt Sterling, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Nick Myers, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Justin Grady, Chief of Accounting and Financial Analysis, KCC
Jesse Borjon, Director, Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection, KCC
David Springe, Consumer Counsel, CURB
Rex Buchanan, Interim Director, Kansas Geological Survey
Mike Tate, PE Director, Bureau of Water at KDHE
Ryan Hoffman, Director, Conservation Division, KCC
Rick Miller, Kansas Geological Survey

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Bill Introductions

Ryan Hoffman, Director of Oil and Gas Conservation division, KCC, requested a bill be introduced to extend the amended oil and gas well plugging fund. Rep. Lane motioned, Rep. Moxley seconded, motion carried.

Kansas Corporation Commission

Justin Grady - Chief of Accounting and Financial Analysis, Kansas Corporation Commission - Utility Ratemaking in Kansas. ([Attachment 1](#)) Following the presentation, Mr. Grady stood for questions.

Kansas Corporation Commission

Jesse Borjon, Director, Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection, Kansas Corporation Commission - Consumer Protection Overview. ([Attachment 2](#)) Following the presentation, Director Borjon stood for questions.

Chairman Hedke acknowledged that Former Senator Pat Apple, now Commissioner with KCC, was present today.

CONTINUATION SHEET

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CURB

David Springe, Consumer Counsel, Kansas Citizens Utility Ratepayer Board. ([Attachment 3](#)) ([Attachment 4](#)) Following the presentation, Mr. Springe stood for questions.

Kansas Seismicity

Rex Buchanan, Interim Director, Kansas Geological Survey discussed the issue related to the potential for induced seismicity in Kansas. ([Attachment 5](#)) ([Attachment 6](#)) ([Attachment 7](#))

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Mike Tate, PE Director, Bureau of Water at the Kansas Department of Health and Environment discussed the Kansas Seismic Action Plan. ([Attachment 8](#)) ([Attachment 9](#))

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Ryan Hoffman, Director, Conservation Division, Kansas Corporation Commission presented an informational briefing on the potential for induced seismicity in Kansas. ([Attachment 10](#))

Kansas Seismicity

Rick Miller, Senior Scientist, Geophysicist, Kansas Geological Survey presented "Seismic Monitoring in Kansas." ([Attachment 11](#))

Following the Seismicity presentations, the group stood for questions.

Chairman Hedke adjourned the meeting at 10:47 am.