Approved: January 21, 2016

#### MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Robert Olson at 1:37pm on Tuesday, January 12, 2016, 548-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

# Committee staff present:

Matt Sterling, Office of Revisor of Statutes Michael Welton, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant Heather O'Hara, Legislative Research Department Natalie Nelson, Legislative Research Department

### Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Kimberly Svaty - Wind Coalition

Others in attendance:

See Attached List

# **Introduction of Senate Utilities Committee Members and Staff**

Chairman Olson welcomed committee members and those in attendance. He called for any possible bill introductions.

### **Possible bill introductions**

Bill introduction was proposed by Jeff Glendening with Americans for Prosperity to eliminate the Kansas Electric Transmission Authority (KETA).

Motion to accept bill introduction made by Senator Petersen and seconded by Senator Masterson. The bill introduction was accepted by the committee.

Bill introduction was proposed by Patrick Fucik with Sprint regarding wireless tower siting legislation.

Motion to accept the bill introduction was made by Senator Petersen and seconded by Senator Masterson. The bill introduction was accepted by the committee.

Bill introduction was proposed by Mary Jane Stankiewicz representing Kansas Rural Indpendent Telecommunications Coalition to provide clarifications regarding the intrastate costs of Telecom Communications Act.

Motion to accept bill introduction was made by Senator Petersen and seconded by Senator Masterson. The bill introduction was accepted by the committee.

#### **CONTINUATION SHEET**

MINUTES of the Committee on Utilities at 1:37pm on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 in Room 548-S of the Capitol.

# **Presentation on:**

Chairman Olson called on Kimberly Svaty for an Update on Wind Energy industry. (Attachment #1)

A colored map was provided to represent the magnitude of Wind Resources in Kansas (Attachment #2)

Questions by committee members ensued.

Chairman Olson thanked everyone in attendance and adjourned the meeting at 2:00 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2016.

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