

Approved April 20, 1983
Date

MINUTES OF THE House SUB COMMITTEE ON Energy

The meeting was called to order by Representative Keith Farrar at
Vice- Chairperson

8:00 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on March 2, 1983 in room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present:

La Nelle Frey, Secretary to the Committee

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Vice-chairman Keith Farrar advised Subcommittee members that the meeting was open for discussion and action on any bills heard to date by the Subcommittee. He noted that any action taken on the bills would determine the Subcommittee's recommendation to the Energy and Natural Resources Committee as a whole.

Vice-chairman Farrar began by discussing HB 2121. He stated that the bill had been discussed with the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC), and Don Schnacke, Kansas Independent Oil and Gas Association. He noted that Mr. Schnacke had no big problems with the bill, but to help the small producer, the "25% of openflow" wording in the bill might be addressed. Vice-chairman Farrar said he would like to hold up on making a recommendation on HB 2121 until the KCC could appear before the Subcommittee to address possible amendments. The Subcommittee concurred with that decision.

Discussion ensued on HB 2199. Subcommittee members agreed that the issue of decommissioning a nuclear-powered electric generating facility was timely and needed to be addressed, but felt it was too complex an issue to make recommendations on without further study. Several members thought it might be beneficial to recommend it for interim study.

Representative Ben Foster commented there was a possibility of a special study committee being created to study the Wolf Creek Generating Station, which could include the issue of decommissioning the plant.

Representative Jim Patterson said he thought there were too many boards being created for studying special issues, and he thought private industry was adequately addressing the issue of decommissioning.

Representative Betty Jo Charlton made a motion that the Subcommittee recommend HB 2199 be held in committee until the 1984 legislative session. Representative Darrel Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Vice-chairman Farrar asked for comments on HB 2215.

Representative Fred Rosenau made a motion that the Subcommittee recommend HB 2215 be held in committee until the 1984 legislative session. Representative Patterson seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued as to whether or not HB 2215 was needed, and if there was a problem with erroneous utility-meter readings, was this bill the solution.

Representative Webb made a substitute motion that the Subcommittee recommend adoption of the amendment proposed by the bill sponsor, and also recommend amending the bill by striking the word "three" on line 36 and inserting the word "four". Representative Charlton seconded the motion. On a show-of-hand vote, the motion passed; 5 in favor/4 opposed.

Representative Webb made a motion that the Subcommittee recommend HB 2215

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be passed as amended. Representative Grotewiel seconded the motion. On a show-of-hand vote, the motion passed; 5 in favor/4 opposed.

There being no further business to come before the Subcommittee, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

The next meeting of the Subcommittee will be held at 3:30 p.m. on March 2, 1983.

Rep. Keith Farrar, Vice-chairman