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MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Energy and Natural Resources

The meeting was called to order by Rep. David J. Heinemann at
Chairperson

12:00~~xxx~~ a.m./p.m. on April 5, 1984 in room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representatives Keith Roe, Kent Ott, Ron Fox and Ben Foster (all excused).

Committee staff present:

Ramon Powers, Legislative Research
Theresa Kiernan, Revisor of Statutes' Office
Pam Somerville, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Representative Ambrose Dempsey, Kansas House of Representatives
John Thompson, Delaware Township
Mike Wait, City Council, Lansing
Representative Al Ramirez, Kansas House of Representatives

Hearing on SB 862: An act concerning water districts; authorizing the creation of a joint water district.

Representative Ambrose Dempsey briefly explained the bill's contents. In essence, the bill authorizes Lansing and Delaware Townships to form a joint water district and elect a five-member nonpartisan governing board to serve four-year staggered terms. Rep. Dempsey said the bill was supported by Lansing and Delaware township officials and that most of the water district subscribers currently live within Lansing due to annexation of territory by that city.

Representative Al Ramirez, spoke in favor of SB 862 and stated that it had been a struggle to reach a compromise between the two bodies and hoped the committee would act favorably.

Mr. John Thompson, Attorney, Delaware Township, basically favored the legislation, however, stated that the language addressing the hydrant tax was not authorized by the township.

Mr. Mike Wait, Lansing City Council, appeared in support and agreed with previous testimony. He stated it had taken several years to reach an agreement and that language in the bill can be satisfied between the two towns.

A brief question and answer period followed each presentation.

The Chairman then called for final action on SB 862.

Representative Farrar motioned to amend line 43 by striking "shall" and inserting "may". Representative Rosenau seconded the motion. Motion adopted. Representative Farrar moved to recommend SB 862 favorably as amended. Representative Rosenau seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Energy and Natural Resources,
room 519-S, Statehouse, at noon a.m./p.m. on April 5, 1984.

Final Action on bills previously heard in committee.

HCR 5068 - Rejecting K.A.R.'s health and environment, certain fees.
Representative Farrar motioned to report HCR 5068 favorably.
Representative Rosenau seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

SCR 1654 - A concurrent resolution concerning mind land conservation
and reclamation.

Representative Farrar moved to adopt SCR 1654. Representative Acheson
seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

HCR 5066 - A concurrent resolution relating to cementing-in surface
pipe.

Representative Farrar moved to adopt HCR 5066. Representative Guldner
seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

Representative Farrar moved to approve the minutes of February 22,
March 1, 2 and 13, as written. Representative Rosenau seconded the
motion. Representative Patterson made a substitute motion to correct
the minutes of March 13, 1984 by inserting opposition instead of
support in Mr. Sasse's testimony. Representative Kent Ott seconded
the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting
adjourned at 12:20 p.m.



David J. Heinemann, Chairman