

Approved _____ Date 2-12-85

MINUTES OF THE Joint COMMITTEE ON Energy and Natural Resources

The meeting was called to order by _____ Representative Ron Fox at
Chairperson

3:30 ~~am~~/p.m. on January 28, 1985 in room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

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| Senator Ben Vidricksen - Excused | Senator Leroy Hayden - Excused |
| Senator Norma Daniels - Excused | Senator Angela Langworthy - Excused |
| Senator Francis Gordon - Excused | Senator Eric Yost - Excused |

Committee staff present:

- Ramon Powers - Research Department
- Don Hayward - Revisor's Office
- Nancy Jones - Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Joseph R. Harkins, Director, Kansas Water Office

Minutes of the meeting as drafted by the House Committee are attached.

Unless specifically noted, the individual remarks recorded herein have not been transcribed verbatim. Individual remarks as reported herein have not been submitted to the individuals appearing before the committee for editing or corrections.

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Representative Rosenau (excused)

Committee staff present:

- Ramon Powers, Legislative Research
- Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research
- Theresa Kiernan, Revisor of Statutes' Office
- Don Hayward, Revisor of Statutes' Office
- Nancy Jones, Senate Committee Secretary
- Betty Ellison, House Committee Secretary

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Chairman Ron Fox recognized Vice-chairman Kent Ott who called attention to two bills which the Kansas Fish and Game Commission had requested to be introduced. Because some areas do not have enough vendors of licenses, one bill would change the law to allow the Fish and Game Commission to appoint vendors of licenses in addition to the County Clerk's appointed vendors. Representative Acheson moved that this be introduced as a committee bill. Representative Spaniol seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The other bill dealt with lifetime permits--under existing law, anyone violating Fish and Game laws, would lose the lifetime permit. The Fish and Game Commission requested that the law be changed so that a violator who held a lifetime permit would only lose privileges for the period of suspension, not the lifetime permit. Representative Spaniol moved that this also be introduced as a committee bill. The motion was seconded by Representative Sughrue. Motion carried.

Vice-chairman Patterson requested that two bills in the committee which pertained to energy, HB 2037 and HB 2041, be assigned to the Energy Subcommittee. Chairman Fox agreed with this assignment.

Mr. Joseph Harkins of the Kansas Water Office continued his briefing on the proposed State Water Plan. He reviewed the section on Water Quality, using slides to illustrate the various recommendations. He explained that a section was being prepared to be submitted as a supplement to the plan regarding the Fish, Wildlife and Recreation areas. This supplement should be finished by next year.

Turning to the section on Development, Mr. Harkins used a graphic to depict the configuration of the twelve river basins. He noted that in their meeting of January 25, 1985, the Water Authority adopted a policy which would provide for the establishment of twelve eleven-member Basin Advisory Committees. These committees are expected to be established and working by summer, 1985. A section regarding the twelve basin plans will also be added to the present proposed Water Plan next year. Mr. Harkins showed a slide which identified each of the major components which would be included in a typical Basin Plan.

In summary, Mr. Harkins reminded the committee that this Water Plan was designed by law to deal with three major guidelines:

1. It must be comprehensive.
2. It must have a high level of coordination.
3. It must be continuous.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES,
room 313-S Statehouse, at 3:30 ~~xxx~~ p.m. on January 28, 1985.

Chairman Fox expressed appreciation on behalf of the Committee for the organized and expeditious manner in which the briefings were presented. Vice-chairman Ott moved that Chairman Fox and Senator Werts write a letter to the Kansas Water Authority on behalf of the Joint Committee in appreciation for the fine work done thus far. The motion was seconded by Senator Werts. Motion carried.

Chairman Fox made another reminder that the VCR and tapes of the briefings were in his office, Room 523-S for anyone wishing to view them. He noted that the House Committee would continue with the State Water Plan on January 29, 1985.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

The next meeting of the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee will be held on January 29, 1985 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 313-S.