

Approved 4-10-85
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES

The meeting was called to order by SENATOR MERRILL WERTS at
Chairperson

8:00 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on APRIL 2, 1985 in room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Feleciano - Excused

Committee staff present:

Ramon Powers - Research Department

Don Hayward - Revisor's Office

Nancy Jones - Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Senator Hayden made the motion to approve minutes of the March 26, 1985 meeting. Senator Langworthy seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

HB 2575 - State Park motor vehicle permits; late payment fee increase

Chairman Werts requested Ramon Powers to brief the committee on the bill. The House had amended SB 199 previously passed by the Senate, into this bill. In HB 2575, as introduced, the late payment motor vehicle fee was increased from \$2.00 to \$5.00. This proposal has been under consideration by the Legislature for several years and no opposition appeared.

Senator Yost moved to favorably recommend HB 2575. Senator Daniels seconded the motion, and the motion carried on voice vote.

SB 122 - Abandoned oil and gas wells; responsibility for care

Senator Johnston introduced the bill and requests the committee kill the bill as a companion House bill has now passed the Senate.

Senator Yost moved to recommend adversely SB 122. Senator Daniels seconded the motion, and the motion carried on a voice vote.

HB 2578 - State Water Plan; small lakes program

Joe Wentz gave testimony on the concept of the small lake program. The first objective is the care of small lakes being built under the existing federal and state programs and to add water supply where needed in these structures so sites would not be wasted. Under P.L. 566 the state could enter and assume the municipal industrial supply portion of the small lakes program and pay for this portion. A sponsoring community upon need of this water supply would assume this portion of the structure, reimbursing the state for funds used. Local interest could obtain all of the land rights and be responsible for operation and maintenance of the structure.

Objective #2 concerns the need for multi-purpose small lakes outside of the organized watershed districts. With this bill, the state could assume flood prevention costs and half of the cost of recreational needs if needed, subject to appropriations. This feature is very important in allowing small communities to obtain water supplies where previously it was not feasible. Possible sites for application of funds under federal and state programs were discussed by Mr. Wentz. He further stated funding in development of an area can be very complicated between entities involved. All structures being built under this small lakes program would require a permit from the Chief Engineer with future needs being determined by the Kansas Water Office.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES,
room 123-S, Statehouse, at 8:00 a.m. ~~XXX~~ on APRIL 2, 1985.

Mason Flora testified HB 2578 will allow the building of structures beneficial to rural areas. The bill is the result of years of work by the Association and Kansas Water Authority and will provide the aid needed for progress in development of the long range plan. Mr. Flora favors the bill, with proposed amendments.

No opponents testified on HB 2578.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Werts.

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Guest List

Mason Flora - HARVEYVILLE WATER SHED

Ed Remert	Topeka	KS League Women Voters
Larry G. Hess	Kansas Dept of Health & Environment	
Russell L. CRITES	KWA	OTTAWA
Sabrina Wells	Topeka	Budget Div.
Leland E. Rolf	Topeka	DWR-KSBA
Thomas Chiles	Topeka	KWO
Joel A. Wentz	Topeka	KWO
Richard D. Kready	Topeka	KPL - Gas Service
Rich McKee	Topeka	K.L.A.