

Approved 1-21-88
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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./~~pm~~ on January 14, 1988 in room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present:

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| Ramon Powers - Research | Laura Howard - Research |
| Paul West - Research | Raney Gilliland - Research |
| Don Hayward - Revisor | Nancy Jones - Secretary |

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Chairman Werts welcomed committee members and recognized senior staff member Ramon Powers, who will soon assume the position of Executive Director of the Kansas Historical Society. The expertise and assistance of Mr. Powers will be sorely missed. New staff members were introduced by Mr. Powers.

Chairman Werts and Mr. Powers reviewed bills held over in Committee and bills being proposed. Discussion was held by the Committee.

SB 114 - Withdrawal from the Interstate Compact on Radioactive Waste

The subject of the bill is moot as Nebraska has apparently been chosen as the host state.

A motion was made by Senator Martin to report SB 114 adversely, seconded by Senator Vidricksen. Motion carried.

SB 131 Division of water, rules and regulations safety.

Further testimony and discussions are needed on SB 131. The bill will remain in committee and scheduled for further hearings.

SB 182 Requires certain funds payable under oil and gas contracts to be held in trust.

Committee concurred further hearings should be held on SB 182.

SB 201 Establishing a new Fish & Game Commission.

Committee concurred SB 201 is no longer necessary as ERO 22 was implemented in 1987.

Motion was made by Senator Vidricksen to report SB 201 adversely, seconded by Senator Feleciano. Motion carried.

SB 406 Establishment of low-level radioactive waste authority.

Extensive hearings were held during the 1987 legislative session and during the interim on this bill. Since Nebraska has apparently been selected as the host state, the bill is moot.

A motion was made by Senator Werts to report SB 406 adversely and seconded by Senator Langworthy. Motion carried.

CONTINUATION SHEET

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room 123-S, Statehouse, at 8:00 a.m. ~~pm~~ on January 14, 19 88

SB 455 Environmental contamination response act.

Laura Howard briefly outlined the interim committee report highlighting issues of Proposal #12 -- lowlevel and hazardous wastes. The interim committee was charged to review the statutes on hazardous waste cleanup to determine if Kansas has sufficient statutory authority to assure proper cleanup of hazardous waste in Kansas. The KDHE presented a bill draft containing new language which would correct inadequacies perceived in the current statutes. Full and extensive hearings were recommended by the interim committee on this bill to be known as the Environmental Contamination and Response Act. This proposed legislation would supercede both hazardous as well as radioactive waste cleanup statutes now in place. As a part of Proposal #12, the interim committee was instructed by the LCC to study the merits of and make recommendations on the creation of a LLRW Authority. Activities of the Compact were carefully monitored during the summer and fall of 1987 as this was germane to bills under consideration.

SB 472 Kansas water pollution revolving fund, duties of secretaries of Commerce and Health & Environment

SB 472 was introduced by the Joint Committee on Economic Development to establish the Kansas Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund. Responsibility for financing of waste water facilities will shift from the federal government to state and local governments. Federal grants will be phased out and seed money will be provided by the federal government to capitalize state loan funds to be used for waste water improvements. States must set up a state revolving loan fund to qualify for a 20% match to state funds. Hearing to be held January 21.

SB 475 Deer hunting on licensed game bird controlled shooting areas

The proposed legislation was requested by Senator Talkington as the deer population is a serious problem in S.E. Kansas. Senator Martin urged expeditious discussion and action on the proposed legislation.

HB 2569 Domestic water rights, limitation on acquisition thereof.

Ramon Powers stated the proposed bill would provide that anyone drilling a domestic well after July 1, 1987, would not be eligible for securing appropriation rights for water taken from that well, unless the well had been constructed according to standards established by KDHE.

Paul West discussed Interim Proposal #11 which provided for monitoring by the special committee of the newly created Department of Wildlife & Parks. Full implementation of the merger of Fish & Game and Park Resources will take at least two years. Concerns of various interest groups were heard and reviewed with regard to the merger. The cost accounting system of the superceded Fish & Game Commission will be retained to ensure integrity of federal funds. Modifications of commissions and boards now in existence were noted as well as bills introduced necessary to effect needed changes.

Meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be held January 21, 1988.

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Guest List

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| Bob Hodges | KCCI | Topeka |
| Karl Muldrew | KDHE | " |
| Laura Eder | KDHE | " |
| Dave Corliss | League of Municipalities | " |
| Jerry Conrad | KGE | " |
| Connie McGinness | KCC | " |