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MINUTES OF THE Senate COMMITTEE ON Energy and Natural Resources

The meeting was called to order by Senator Ross Doyen at  
Chairperson

8:09 ~~a.m.~~ p.m. on March 7, 91 in room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Pat Mah, Legislative Research Department  
Don Hayward, Revisor of Statutes  
Lila McClaflin, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Joe Harkins, Director, Kansas Water Office

The Chairman opened the discussion on SB 341 - amending and supplementing the nongame and endangered species conservation act; establishing the endangered and threatened species and habitat advisory committee.

Staff reported in compliance with the wishes of the Kansas Natural Resource's Council an amendment had been suggested to strike the language in line 23 "a person from the Kansas Natural Resource's Council".

A member of the Committee expressed concern with the makeup of the advisory committee, and suggested the base should be broaden to represent more people from the biological and science field.

Senator Hayden moved that SB 341 be reported favorably "as is".  
Senator Lee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Chairman asked for discussion or recommendation on SB 236 - establishing fees for consent or permit to construct dam or other water obstruction or channel change.

Senator Hayden moved to report SB 236 adversely. Senator Lee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Discussion was called for on SB 185 - establishing the environmental resources task force; prescribing duties therefor.

A member of the Committee suggested there is a need to broaden the scope of the bill, and there is a need for more coordination among the agencies. He said the sponsors of the bill were agreeable to these amendments.

Chairman Doyen asked Joe Harkins to address this concern not as a proponent or any opponent but for information only.

Mr. Harkins said there is an effort underway to develop a coordination management structure. It involves developing methods to work together especially in the field. The project has been underway for about 15 months, it was turned over to the Water Authority in January, and they have adopted it as a conception for potential inclusion in the water plan. At the present time they are holding public meetings, and if the concept is accepted with favorable comments it probably will be a part of the Water Plan recommendations next session of the Legislature.

Senator Hayden moved to report the bill adversely. The Chairman suggested the bill might stay in committee until next session, and give the agencies a chance to develop a task force. Senator Hayden withdrew his motion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

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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GUEST LIST

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Joe HARKINS	Ks WATER OFFICE
George Austin	KSBA / DWR
Marty Kennedy	Budget
Shawn McGrath	KNRC
Bill Fuller	Kansas Farm Bureau
STEVE KEARNEY	LMI
Rich McKee	KLA