

Approved: Carl Dan Holmes
Date 1-25-96

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Carl Holmes at 3:30 p.m. on January 16, 1996, in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department
Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research Department
Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes
Marcia Ayres, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Ron Hammerschmidt, Director, Division of Environment

Others attending: See attached list

Chairperson Holmes called the meeting to order and announced hearings on several cleanup bills.

Hearing on HB 2619: Repeal of statute providing for solar energy system tax credit for national banking business

There being no conferees, the Chair asked staff to explain the bill. This is just a cleanup bill to remove the language off the statute books which has sunsetted. The Chair closed the hearing.

Representative Don Myers moved that HB 2619 be passed out favorably. Representative Becky Hutchins seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Hearing on HB 2620: Repeal of statutes providing for coordinator of and commission on waste reduction, recycling and market development

Ron Hammerschmidt. Mr. Hammerschmidt pointed out that **HB 2620** is also a cleanup bill that strikes the statewide recycling coordinator out of one of the solid waste statutes. (Attachment #1) Discussion followed.

There being no other conferees, the hearing was closed. Discussion followed.

Representative Steve Lloyd moved that HB 2620 be passed out favorably. Representative Don Myers seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Hearing on HB 2616: Distribution of royalties for sand taken from rivers owned by the state

There being no conferees, the Chair asked staff to explain the bill. This bill clarifies the distribution of proceeds from the sale of sand in riverbeds owned by the state. There is no policy change. Discussion followed.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to make HB 2616 effective in the Register by striking the words "statute book" and inserting "Kansas Register." Representative Don Myers seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Representative Steve Lloyd moved that HB 2616 be passed out favorably as amended. Representative Terry Presta seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The hearings being concluded, Chairperson Holmes directed attention to the balloons for **HB 2613** and **2614** and introduced Derenda Mitchell, Legislative Counsel for the Governor's Office, who related her discussion this morning with the Governor relating to water issues. Discussion and questions followed.

Chairperson Holmes, in consultation with his Vice Chair and Ranking Minority Member, decided to form a

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sub-committee on this issue. The Chair asked Representative Clay Aurand, Representative Terry Presta, and Representative Vaughn Flora to serve on the sub-committee with Representative Aurand acting as Chairperson. Chairperson Holmes recommended that the people who had amendments and substitute bills work with this sub-committee along with people from the Governor's Office, the Attorney General's Office, and the Chief Engineer and the Kansas Water Office. He set a deadline of middle of next week to put a package together that can be agreed on.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 17, 1996.

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE GUEST LIST

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NAME	REPRESENTING
John Campbell	KS AA
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John	KS Dept of Ag - DWR
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Julie Klein	Hein, Ebert & Weir
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Bill Graves



Governor

Department of Health and Environment

James J. O'Connell, Secretary

Testimony presented to

House Energy and Natural Resources Committee

by

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment

House Bill 2620

The Department of Health and Environment appreciates the opportunity to present testimony in support of House Bill 2620. The purpose of this bill is to eliminate an obsolete portion of the solid waste statutes.

In 1995, House 2034 was introduced to extend the position of state coordinator of waste reduction, recycling, and market development within the Department of Commerce to July 1, 1999. However, this committee decided to allow the position to expire on July 1, 1995 as was already provided in the K.S.A. 74-087. HB 2620 revises K.S.A. 65-3424f to eliminate the reference to this position in the solid waste statutes.

When HB 2034 was discussed in committee in 1995, the committee directed KDHE to assume the responsibilities of the state coordinator of waste reduction, recycling, and market development to the extent possible. Utilizing existing staff resources, the department has expanded efforts in this area. Waste reduction and recycling has become a more significant part of many solid waste program activities including solid waste planning, facility permitting, grants, and public education.

One new grant program established by the legislature in 1995 through HB 2036 authorizes KDHE to provide financial support for projects related to waste reduction and recycling. As funding permits, grants will be awarded every six months for the next 2 to 3 years to implement waste reduction, recycling, and public education projects identified in local solid waste plans which have been approved by the department. The first round of these competitive grants applications are currently being reviewed and awards will be made in March 1996. A grants advisory committee appointed by the governor will assist the department in prioritizing applications.

Thank you for allowing us to comment on this bill.

Testimony presented by: Ronald F. Hammerschmidt
Director
Division of Environment
January 16, 1996

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Attach. #1
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