

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl D. Holmes at 9:15 a.m. on February 23, 2005 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Peggy Mast - Excused
Representative Jason Watkins - Unexcused

Committee staff present: Mary Galligan, Legislative Research
Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research
Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes
Jo Cook, Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee: Representative Tom Sloan, Lawrence, KS

Others attending: See Attached List

HB 2146 - Information required with payment to oil and gas royalty interest or working interest owners

Chairman Holmes announced that a sub-committee had been formed. Members of the sub-committee are: Representative Myers, chair; Representative Mast, and Representative Long.

HR 6019 - Urging corporation commission to open docket to require all electric public utilities belong to same regional transmission organization

Chairman Holmes opened the hearing on **HR 6019**.

Representative Tom Sloan explained the need for the resolution and the need for having all of the state's electric transmission operators belong to the Regional Transmission Organization. Representative Sloan responded to questions from the committee.

Chairman Holmes closed the hearing on **HR 6019** opened the debate.

Representative Krehbiel moved to amend line 15 to read "all electric public utilities providing service in Kansas and under the jurisdiction of the state corporation commission." Representative Jim Morrison seconded the motion. The motion carried. Representative Sloan moved to amend line 20 to read "January 1, 2006." Representative Judy Morrison seconded the motion. The motion carried. Representative Sloan moved to recommend **HR 6019**, as amended, favorable for adoption. Representative Kuether seconded the motion. The motion carried. Representative Sloan will carry the resolution.

The meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

The next meeting is Thursday, March 3, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.