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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Steven R. Brunk at 2:20 p.m. on May 07, 2012, in Room 346-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Huebert – Excused
Representative Holmes – Excused
Representative Patton – Excused
Representative Peterson – Excused

Committee staff present:

Mike Heim, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Stephen Bainum, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Representative Gregory Smith
Representative Dennis E. Hedke
Jim Mullins, Kansas Grassroots Director, Americans for Prosperity
Representative Forrest Knox
W. Paul Degener
Shirley Koehn
Ronald E. Long
Craig Gabel, Kansans for Liberty
Zach Pistora, Kansas Interfaith Power & Light

Others attending: See attached.

The Chairman opened the hearing on HR 6032 The United Nations Agenda 21.

Representative Greg Smith testified as a proponent of HR 6032 (Attachment 1). He gave the committee a history of the development of HR 6032.

Representative O'Hara asked about Johnson County membership in the Agenda.

Representative Victors inquired about the founder of Agenda 21.

Representative Loganbill said that the development of poor countries was a good thing.

Representative Rubin asked how counties justify spending money for membership in ICLEI.

Representative Hedke testified as a proponent of HR 6032 (Attachment 2). He pointed out the number of cities and counties supporting the Agenda and gave some internet references to enable anyone to investigate it.

Jim Mullins presented testimony as a proponent of HR 6032 (Attachment 3). He spoke of how this agenda has permeated our society even though it has not been approved by congress.

CONTINUATION SHEET

The minutes of the House Federal and State Affairs Committee at 2:20 p.m. on May 07, 2012, in Room 346-S of the Capitol.

Representative Forrest Knox testified as a proponent of HR 6032 (Attachment 4). His testimony gave a breakdown of the twenty seven principles of the Agenda.

Paul Degener testified as a proponent of HR 6032 (Attachment 5). He spoke of the founding and development of ICLEI which stands for 'International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives. Several cities and counties in Kansas have become members of ICLEI.

Shirley Koehn presented testimony as a proponent of HR 6032 (Attachment 6). She presented some questions to ask about Agenda 21.

Ronald E. Long presented testimony as a proponent of HR 6032 (Attachment 7). He explained the five "where as" phrases in the agenda.

Craig Gabel testifies as a proponent of HR 6032 (Attachment 8). He said that what agenda 21 is really about is control.

Zach Pistora testifies for Rabbi Rieber as an opponent of HR 6032 (Attachment 9). He believes that the issue is a false one, a strawman designed to limit our state's ability to move strongly into a sustainable economic future.

Written testimony in support of HR 6032 was submitted by"

John Todd (Attachment 10)
Jeffrey Locke (Attachment 11)
Mary Kay Ricke (Attachment 12)
Earl Long (Attachment 13)
Virginia Macha (Attachment 14)

The Chairman closed the hearing on HR 6032.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 08, 2012.