

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ENERGY AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl Holmes at 9:00 A.M. on March 23, 2007 in Room 241-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Vaughn Flora-excused
Forrest Knox-excused
Don Myers-excused

Committee staff present:

Mary Galligan, Kansas Legislative Research
Renaë Hansen, Committee Assistant

Others attending:

Fourteen including the attached list.

The committee was provided a copy of the average rates from Westar Energy, Inc. (Attachment 1) for residential, commercial, and industrial customers.

SB 327 **Renewable fuels; income tax credits.**

Representative Bill Light moved to amend SB 327 using the amended language offered by Senator Terry Bruce March 22, 2007. Seconded by Representative Cindy Neighbor.

Questions were asked and comments made by Representatives: Tom Sloan, Bill Light, Rob Olson, and Carl Holmes.

Motion to amend SB 327 carried.

Representative Bill Light moved to amend SB 327 (Attachment 2). Seconded by Representative Tom Hawk. Motion carried.

Representative Tom Sloan offered language to potentially amend into **SB 327**, (Attachment 3).

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend SB 327 using the language on his attached amendment Section 1 (a) (3) redefining “renewable fuels” replacing section 1 (f) of the existing bill. Seconded by Representative Terry McLachlan.

Discussion ensued by Representatives: Annie Kuether, Tom Sloan, Vern Swanson, Rob Olson, Terry McLachlan.

Motion to amend carried 9-8.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend SB 327 using the language in the first sentence of Section 1 a 4 b. Seconded by Representative Annie Kuether. Motion carried.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend SB 327, using the language Section 1 a 4 b sentence 2 “The tax rebate shall be an amount equal to 6 ½ cents for each gallon of renewable fuel sold by the retailer from a Kansas manufacturer. Seconded by Representative Annie Kuether. Motion carried

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend SB327 using the language in section 1 a 4 b continuing with that sentence “For which a retailer reduces the price per gallon by 6 ½ cents” Seconded by Rep Rob Olson.

CONTINUATION SHEET

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Questions were asked and comments made by Representatives: Tom Hawk, Tom Sloan, Rob Olson, Vern Swanson, Bill Light, Annie Kuether, Carl Holmes, and Tom Moxley.

Motion to amend failed.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to adopt the sunset language on page 2 section 4(d) with a sunset of July 1, 2012. Seconded by Representative Terry McLachlan.

Discussion continued by Representatives: Josh Svaty, Tom Hawk, and Tom Sloan.

Representative Tom Sloan closed on the motion.

Motion to amend passed.

Representative Peggy Mast moved to recommend **SB 327** as amended favorable for passage. Seconded by Representative Tom Sloan.

Discussion continued by Representative: Richard Proehl.

Motion passed 9-8.

Representative Tom Sloan will carry **SB 327** on the House floor.

Chairman Carl Holmes announced there might be a further meeting pending action taken in the Senate.

Meeting adjourned.