

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dennis Hedke at 9:00 am on Wednesday, February 18, 2015, 582-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Kasha Kelley – Excused

Committee staff present:

Cindy Lash, Legislative Research Department

Erica Haas, Legislative Research Department

Matt Sterling, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Nick Myers, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Donola Fairbanks, Substitute Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Pat Apple, Commissioner, KCC

Jeff McClanahan, Director, Utilities Division, KCC

Tom Gross, Chief of Planning and Inventory Section, Bureau of Air, KDHE

Dorothy Barnett, Executive Director, Climate and Energy Project (CEP)

Wayne Penrod, Executive Manager, Environmental Policy, Sunflower, on behalf of Sunflower Electric Power Corporation, Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC, Midwest Energy, Inc. and The Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc.

Phil Wages, Director of Member Services, Government Affairs and Business Development for Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (KEPCo)

Paul Ling, Director of Compliance, KCP&L, on behalf of KCP&L, Empire District Electric and Westar Energy

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Hearing on: HB2233 — Electric utilities and carbon dioxide emissions.

Chairman Hedke opened the hearing on **HB2233**.

Matt Sterling, Assistant Revisor of Statutes presented a brief of the bill. ([Attachment 1](#)) Following this, he stood for questions.

Pat Apple, Commissioner, KCC presented testimony in support of the bill. ([Attachment 2](#))

Jeff McClanahan, Director, Utilities Division, KCC presented testimony in support of the bill. ([Attachment 3](#)) Commissioner Apple and Director McClanahan stood for questions following Director McClanahan's testimony.

Mike O'Neal, President & CEO, Kansas Chamber provided written only testimony in support of the bill. ([Attachment 4](#))

CONTINUATION SHEET

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There were no other proponents to the bill.

Tom Gross, Chief of Planning and Inventory Section Bureau, Bureau of Air, KDHE testified against the bill. ([Attachment 5](#)) He stood for questions following his testimony.

Dorothy Barnett, Executive Director, Climate and Energy Project (CEP) testified against the bill. ([Attachment 6](#)) Following her testimony, she stood for questions.

Wayne Penrod, Executive Manager, Environmental Policy, Sunflower on behalf of Sunflower Electric Power Corporation, Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC, Midwest Energy, Inc. and The Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. testified against the bill. ([Attachment 7](#)) He stood for questions following his testimony.

There were no other opponents to the bill.

Phil Wages, Director of Member Services, Government Affairs and Business Development for Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (KEPCo) presented neutral testimony to the bill. ([Attachment 8](#)) Following his testimony, he stood for questions.

Paul Ling, Director of Compliance, KCP&L on behalf of KCP&L, Empire District Electric and Westar Energy presented neutral testimony to the bill. ([Attachment 9](#)) He stood for questions following his testimony.

Joe Dick, Governmental Affairs Officer, Kansas City Board of Public Utilities provided neutral testimony to the bill in written form only. ([Attachment 10](#))

There was no other neutral testimony to the bill.

Chairman Hedke closed the hearing on **HB2233** and adjourned the meeting at 10:45 am.