

MINUTES OF THE SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Tyson at 8:46 a.m. on March 15, 2002 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator David Corbin - excused  
Senator Tim Huelskamp - excused  
Senator Dwayne Umbarger - excused

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department  
Lisa Montgomery, Office of Revisor of Statutes  
Deborah McIntire, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:  
Bill Bider, Director, Bureau of Waste Management  
Judy A. Moler, General Counsel/Legislative Services Director, Kansas  
Association of Counties  
Steve Kearney, Waste Management

Others attending: See attached list

Chairman Tyson opened the hearing on **HB 2704**.

**Briefing by staff on HB 2704**

This bill would make various amendments to the portion of law dealing with solid waste management planning. The bill would also clarify the law with respect to the submission of plans in a county which has previously participated in a regional plan and chooses to withdraw from the regional planning group.

**Testimony on HB 2704**

The first conferee and proponent was Bill Bider (Director, Bureau of Waste Management). He testified that this bill was introduced by the Department to clarify county and regional solid waste planning requirements. (Attachment 1). Questions and discussion followed.

Written testimony was provided by Judy A. Moler (General Counsel/Legislative Services Director, Kansas Association of Counties) in favor of the bill. (Attachment 2).

The third conferee was Steve Kearney (Waste Management) who proposed that the bill be amended on page 3, section (f) to state that the commission "must consider and hear requests for revisions to the plan from the public." He testified that this would insure input from all parties affected by the proposed changes by the commission, particularly in instances where a quorum of the solid waste management committee need not be present for the commission to take action on their own changes, at a time not regularly scheduled for plan revision. (Attachment 3). Questions and discussion followed.

Raney Gilliland provided a clarification of the intent of this bill.

Chairman Tyson closed the hearing on **HB 2704**.

**Discussion and action on HB 2704—Concerning solid waste management planning**

Senator Taddiken moved to amend HB 2704 on page 3, line 41, following the period, by inserting "The aforementioned meeting shall include an opportunity for public input." Seconded by Senator Schmidt. Motion carried.

Senator Schmidt moved to report HB 2704 favorably as amended, seconded by Senator Taddiken. Motion carried.

**Discussion and action on HB 2624—Concerning rural water districts and public wholesale water supply districts**

CONTINUATION SHEET

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Senator Downey moved to amend **HB 2624** so that ground water management assessment cap rates would be set at \$1 per acre foot. Senator Schmidt seconded. Motion carried.

Senator Oleen moved to report **HB 2624** favorably as amended (Attachment 4), Senator Downey seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 21 at 8:30 a.m.