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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lana Gordon at 3:30 P.M. on January 23, 2007 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Kathie Sparks, Legislative Research Department
Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department
Jason Long, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Ann Deitcher, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Scott McGinley, Aquila
Cindy Wallace, Trego County Econ. Devel.
Tracy Taylor, President & CEO, KTEC

Others attending:

See attached list.

The Chair introduced Scott McGinley who explained to the Committee the workings of western Kansas Rural Economic Development Alliance (wKREDA) and their objectives. (Attachment 1).

Questions and answers followed.

Cindy Wallace addressed the Committee regarding her work with KREDA and what the organizations' were. She also spoke of the features offered by western Kansas.

Tracy Taylor spoke to the Committee about the Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation (KTEC) and its history. (Attachments 2 and 3).

Questions and answers followed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 24, 2007.