

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 18, 2009, in Room 783 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:

Representative Gail Finney-excused  
Representative Tom Moxley-excused  
Representative Rob Olson-excused  
Representative Tom Sloan-excused  
Representative Josh Svaty-excused

Committee staff present:

Melissa Doeblin, Office of the Revisor of Statutes  
Sean Ostrow, Office of the Revisor of Statutes  
Mary Galligan, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Cindy Lash, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Renaë Hansen, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Representative Carl Holmes

Others attending:

Eleven including the attached list.

The chairman reminded the committee about the tour to Jeffrey Energy Center on March 26<sup>th</sup> and the need to sign up ahead of time.

Hearing on:

**HR 6018 - Encouraging the Kansas Electric Transmission Authority to continue to participate in dockets of the State Corporation Commission concerning the transmission of electricity in Kansas.**

Proponents:

Representative Carl Holmes, Chairman of KETA, spoke to the committee on the reasons why this resolution is necessary. He spoke about the necessity to get transmission lines built in order to promote wind energy in western Kansas.

Questions were asked and comments made by Representatives: Vern Swanson, Carl Holmes, Annie Kuether, and Margaret Long.

Tom Day, Kansas Corporation Commission, also helped answer some of the questions.

The hearing was closed on **HR 6018.**

**Representative Annie Kuether moved to pass HR 6018 favorably for passage. Representative Cindy Neighbor seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

The next meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2009

The meeting was adjourned at 9:19 a.m.