

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pat Apple at 1:30 p.m. on February 25, 2009, in Room 545-N of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Mike Corrigan, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Melissa Doebelin, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Cindy Lash, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Ann McMorris, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee: None

Others attending:
See attached list.

Chair continued hearing on:

SB 265 - Energy conservation and electric generation, transmission and efficiency and air emissions.
Chair asked if there were any others who wished to speak to the bill as proponents, opponents or neutrals. There were none.

Chair closed the hearing on **SB 265**.

Chair opened for discussion on the bill explanation for **Senate Bill 265** on major provisions of the bill by topic. (Attachment 1)

1. State purchase of products and equipment - New Sec. 2.
2. State energy use data - New Sec. 3. Senator Francisco offered some proposed new language and explained the reasons. (Attachment 2)

Senator Petersen suggested a change from 10% below to 2007 ASHRAE standard. He noted this language would need to be monitored by the legislature and updated in the future. Also need a date on IECC.

(3) Agency participation in the facilities conservation improvement program - New Sec. 4. Senator Emler recommended deletion of New Section 4 (b).

(4) State Building Construction and Renovation Standards - New Sec. 5. Referred to the date on page 1, line 41 - definition of new state building.

(5) Renewable Resources Requirement - New Sec. 6. A letter from the Governor's Wind Energy Coalition, dated February 18, 2009, was distributed and discussed. (Attachment 3) Suggested KCC look into reliability after 15% reached. Committee discussed federal standards, location and requirements in designated green eco system. Noted if property rights are taken legislation should be passed to provide some compensation.

(6) Parallel Generation - (Sec. 25) - the coop proposal included monthly netting of energy. Define actual commodity cost.

Chair announced continuation of the discussion on **SB 265** at the Senate Utilities Committee meeting on February 26, 2009. The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann McMorris Committee Assistant
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