

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pat Apple at 1:30 p.m. on February 15, 2012 in Room 548-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present:

Matt Sterling, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Tamera Lawrence, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Cindy Lash, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Heather O'Hara, Legislative Research Department
Ann McMorris, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Senator Mike Petersen
Mark Schreiber, Westar Energy

Others attending: See attached list.

Chair opened the hearing on:

SB 419--Requiring the Kansas Corporation Commission to annually determine the cumulative retail rate impact of nonrenewable alternative sources of electricity supply and report to the Legislature

Tamara Lawrence, Assistant Revisor of Statutes, reviewed the amendments in **SB 419**. (Attachment 1)

Proponents:

Senator Mike Petersen explained the amendment in **SB 419** would provide reliable information on retail rate impact on utilities meeting the renewable portfolio requirements. (Attachment 2)

Written testimony submitted on **SB 419** by Phil Wages, Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (KEPCo) (Attachment 3)

Neutral:

Mark Schreiber, Westar Energy, offered an amendment to **SB 419** to have KCC adopt the appropriate language through rules and regs or by Commission order for how this report is created. (Attachment 4)

Written testimony for **SB 419** submitted by Tom Day, Kansas Corporation Commission (Attachment 5)

Chair closed the hearing on **SB 419**.

Chair opened for action on bills previously heard.

Chair announced that he would request the following bill be blessed: **SB 398--Amending the Kan-ed Act**

SB 419--Requiring the Kansas Corporation Commission to annually determine the cumulative retail rate impact of nonrenewable alternative sources of electricity supply and report to the Legislature

Moved by Senator Petersen, seconded by Senator Masterson, the amendment to **SB 419** proposed by Westar Energy be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Masterson, seconded by Senator Petersen, **SB 419** be passed out favorably as amended. Motion carried.

SB 384 – Concerning the Kansas 911 Act

Moved by Senator Kultala, seconded by Senator Petersen, the amendments to **SB 384** prepared by Matt Sterling, Assistant Revisor of Statutes, be adopted. Motion carried. (Attachment 6)

Moved by Senator Kultala, seconded by Senator Francisco, **SB 384** be passed out favorably as amended. Motion carried.

Chair announced the Senate Utilities Committee meeting on February 16, 2012 is on call of the chair.

CONTINUATION SHEET

Minutes of the Senate Utilities Committee at 1:30 p.m. on February 15, 2012, in Room 548-S of the Capitol.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann McMorris, Committee Secretary

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