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Date

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl D. Holmes at 9:07 a.m. on February 5, 2004 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Eric Carter

Representative Nile Dillmore Representative Annie Kuether Representative Margaret Long

Committee staff present: Mary Galligan, Legislative Research

Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes Jo Cook, Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee: None

Others attending: See Attached List

Mary Galligan, Principal Analyst Legislative Research Department, presented an overview of the Report of the Special Committee on Utilities (Attachment 1). Ms. Galligan detailed the conclusions and recommendations from the committee, as well as sharing the committee's activities on broadband coverage and SBC's deployment of DSL services. Ms. Galligan responded to questions from the committee. Additionally, Tom Day, Legislative Liaison for the Kansas Corporation Commission, responded to questions.

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

The next meeting will be Friday, February 6, 2004.