

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jay Emler at 9:30 A.M. on March 1, 2006 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

Committee members absent: Senator Reitz, excused

Committee staff present:

Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes' Office  
Cherryl Masters, Secretary to Senator Emler

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Rep. Mario Goico  
Warren B. Wood, General Counsel, Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation

Others in attendance: See attached list

Chair opened hearing on:

**HB 2703 - Nuclear generating facility, security guards**

Proponents

Rep. Mario Goico spoke in favor of **HB 2703** which would create the Nuclear Generating Facility Security Guard Act to provide protection from liability for the guards and the owners of the facility. (Attachment 1)

Warren B. Wood, General Counsel and Secretary, Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation, testified **HB 2703** would enhance Kansas law with regard to the ability of the plant's security officers to protect the plant and its work force from potential unlawful attacks and acts of terrorism. (Attachment 2)

Randy L. Rogers, Coffey County Sheriff, presented written testimony in favor of **HB 2703**. (Attachment 3)

Discussion on the scope of the language in Section 2 and Section 3 concerning definition of boundaries involved in the coverage by the security officers.

Closed hearing on **HB 2703**.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann McMorris, Secretary

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