CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT and MR. SPEAKER: Your committee on conference on House amendments to SB 91 submits the following report:

The Senate accedes to all House amendments to the bill, and your committee on conference further agrees to amend the bill as printed as House Substitute for Senate Bill No. 91, as follows:

On page 2, in line 26, by striking "to meet the new" and inserting "or committed to be incurred as a result of compliance with the"; in line 28, by striking "as in effect on December 31, 2015" and inserting "prior to its repeal"; in line 31, after the period by inserting "The commission shall allow affected utilities to recover reasonable costs incurred as a result of meeting the voluntary 20% goal in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 66-1256, and amendments thereto.";

On page 6, by striking all in lines 26 and 27; in line 28, by striking the first "or"; in line 32, after "for" by inserting "such"; in line 33, by striking all before "when";

On page 7, following line 4, by inserting:

"Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 79-223 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-223. (a) It is the purpose of this section to promote, stimulate, foster and encourage new investments in commercial and industrial machinery and equipment in the state of Kansas, to contribute to the economic recovery of the state, to enhance business opportunities in the state, to encourage the location of new businesses and industries in the state as well as the retention and expansion of existing businesses and industries and to promote the economic stability of the state by maintaining and providing employment opportunities, thereby contributing to the general welfare of the citizens of the state, by exempting from property taxation all newly purchased or leased
commercial and industrial machinery and equipment, including machinery and equipment transferred into this state for the purpose of expanding an existing business or for the creation of a new business.

(b) The following described property, to the extent specified by this section, shall be and is hereby exempt from all property or ad valorem taxes levied under the laws of the state of Kansas:

First. Commercial and industrial machinery and equipment acquired by qualified purchase or lease made or entered into after June 30, 2006, as the result of a bona fide transaction not consummated for the purpose of avoiding taxation.

Second. Commercial and industrial machinery and equipment transported into this state after June 30, 2006, for the purpose of expanding an existing business or creation of a new business.

(c) Any purchase, lease or transportation of commercial and industrial machinery and equipment consummated for the purpose of avoiding taxation shall subject the property to the penalty provisions of K.S.A. 79-1422 and 79-1427a, and amendments thereto. The county appraiser shall not reclassify any property that is properly classified for property tax purposes within subclass (5) of class 2 of section 1 of article 11 of the constitution of the state of Kansas.

(d) As used in this section:

(1) "Acquired" shall not include the transfer of property pursuant to an exchange for stock securities, or the transfer of assets from one going concern to another due to a merger,
reorganization or other consolidation;

(2) "commercial and industrial machinery and equipment" means property classified for property tax purposes within subclass (5) of class 2 of section 1 of article 11 of the constitution of the state of Kansas, but shall not include any electric generation facility or addition to an electric generation facility that is used predominately to produce and generate electricity utilizing renewable energy resources or technologies as defined in K.S.A. 79-201, and amendments thereto;

(3) "qualified lease" means a lease of commercial and industrial machinery and equipment for not less than 30 days for fair and valuable consideration where such machinery and equipment is physically transferred to the lessee to be used in the lessee's business or trade; and

(4) "qualified purchase" means a purchase of commercial and industrial machinery and equipment for fair and valuable consideration where such machinery and equipment is physically transferred to the purchaser to be used in the purchaser's business or trade.

(e) The secretary of revenue is hereby authorized to adopt rules and regulations to administer the provisions of this section."

On page 8, in line 1, after "electricity" by inserting "at wholesale only, has no retail customers and is"; in line 5, by striking all after "thereto"; in line 6, by striking all before the period; in line 14, after "79-201" by inserting ", 79-223";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;
On page 1, in the title, in line 6, after "79-201" by inserting ", 79-223";

And your committee on conference recommends the adoption of this report.

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