

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jay Emler at 9:30 A.M. on February 27, 2008 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

Committee members absent:

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Cindy Lash, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Mike Corrigan, Revisor of Statutes
Ann McMorris, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others in attendance: See enclosed list.

SB 555 - Notice for customers of certain utilities of proposed rate increases by such utilities, CURB intervention in such rate increase proceedings subject to deadline.

Chair called on Senator Petersen to report on actions taken by Subcommittee on **SB 555**.
The Subcommittee consisted of Senator Petersen, chair, Senator Pine and Senator Francisco.

Senator Petersen reported **SB 555** was amended to include only the five water companies under KCC jurisdiction. A definition of major increase in rates or charges was included. (Attachment 1)

Senator Pine noted the final draft of **SB 555** was addressing the concerns his constituents had voiced. He commended Chairman Petersen for getting this matter up for discussion.

Senator Francisco approved the latest draft of **SB 555**.

Moved by Senator Pine, seconded by Senator Lee, to adopt the amendments to **SB 555**. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Pine, seconded by Senator Petersen, to move **SB 555** out favorably as amended. Motion carried. Senator Pine will carry.

SB 586 - Incentives to encourage development of nuclear power by utilities and authorizing recovery of certain costs

Chair continued discussion and possible action on **SB 586** from February 26, 2008. (Attachment 2)

Moved by Senator Francisco to amend **SB 586** by deleting (B) on lines 3 and 4, page 2. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Moved by Senator Francisco, seconded by Senator Lee, to amend **SB 586** by NOT striking lines 11-14 on page 2 “.... (3) Electric generation facilities under the provisions of subsection (b) (2) (C) or (b) (2) (D) shall not include facilities used in generating electricity by nuclear resources....” Motion failed.

Moved by Senator Petersen, seconded by Senator Francisco, to amend **SB 586** by striking on page 2, lines 6 and 7 the language “which facility or addition to a facility is placed in service on or after January 1, 2001.

Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Reitz, seconded by Senator Pyle, to pass **SB 586** out favorably as amended. Motion carried. ‘No’ vote recorded for Senator Francisco. Senator Reitz will carry.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE Senate Utilities Committee at 9:30 A.M. on February 27, 2008 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

Committee Minutes

Minutes of nine meetings of the Senate Utilities Committee held on dates listed were distributed to the committee - February 11, 2008; February 12, 2008; February 13, 2008; February 14, 2008; February 21, 2008; February 22, 2008; February 25, 2008; February 26, 2008.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann McMorris, Secretary

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