

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Stan Clark at 9:30 a.m. on March 12, 2003 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research
 Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes
 Ann McMorris, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:
 Rep. Tom Sloan
 Jim Ploger, KCC
 Bruce Graham, KEPCO
 Charles Benjamin, Sierra Club
 J. C. Long, Aquila
 Mark Schreiber, Westar

Others attending: See attached list

Chair opened the hearing on
HB 2018 - Renewable energy electric generation cooperative act; issuance of bonds to finance certain electric transmission lines; agreements governing interconnection between utilities and certain renewable generators.

Proponents:
 Rep. Tom Sloan (Attachment 1)
 Jim Ploger, KCC (Attachment 2)
 Bruce Graham, KEPCO (Attachment 3)
 Charles Benjamin, Sierra Club (Attachment 4)
 J. C. Long, Aquila (Attachment 5)
 Mark Schreiber, Westar Energy (Attachment 6)

Discussion and questions regarding K DFA financing and rates, explanation of provision that requires each member to install 100 kilowatt minimum, estimate on cost to install 100 kilowatt unit and clarification on other sections of the bill.

Chair closed hearing on **HB 2018**.

Moved by Senator Brownlee, seconded by Senator Emler, amend **HB 2018** on page 11, line 23 to add the language "or lease" after the word 'easement'. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Taddington, seconded by Senator Barone, amend **HB 2018** by deleting the language on page 1, lines 26 and 27. Motion carried.

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MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE at on March 12, 2003 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

Moved by Senator Brownlee, seconded by Senator Emler, **HB 2018** be passed out favorably as amended. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Senate Utilities Committee will be held on March 13.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann McMorris, Secretary

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