

Approved: April 1, 2004

Date

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl D. Holmes at 9:11 a.m. on March 23, 2004 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Eric Carter
Representative Jim Ward

Committee staff present: Mary Galligan, Legislative Research
Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes
Jo Cook, Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee: none

Others attending: See Attached List

HR 6026 - Resolution requesting State Corporation Commission to take certain actions regarding high speed Internet service

Chairman Holmes opened the debate on **HR 6026**. Representative Sloan, chairman of the sub-committee, distributed and explained a balloon showing the changes agreed upon by the sub-committee (Attachment 1). The changes also include striking page 2, lines 1 through 9. Representative Sloan moved to adopt the balloon. Representative Reitz seconded the motion. The motion carried. Representative Sloan moved to recommend the adoption of HR 6026, as a substitute resolution, favorable for passage. Representative Reitz seconded the motion. The motion carried. Representative Sloan will carry the resolution.

Representative Kuether moved to approve the minutes of the February 23, February 24, March 4, March 5, March 9, March 10, March 11, March 12, and March 16 meetings. Representative Dillmore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Discussion followed on the committee's work over the past two years, specifically the broadband issue and subsequent deployment following last year's debate. The Chairman announced that the committee may meet one more time.

The meeting adjourned at 9:29 a.m.