

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Stan Clark at 9:30 a.m. on March 17, 2003 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Tyson, excused

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

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Mark Schreiber, Westar Energy  
Larry Dolci, Great Plains Energy  
Mike Bier, Great Plains Energy  
Robert Nichols, Aquila  
David Springe, CURB  
Rep. Carl Krehbiel  
Dick Rohlf, Westar Energy  
Larry Holloway, KCC  
Bruce Sneed, State Energy Resources Coordinating Council  
Jim Ploger, KCC

Others attending: See attached list

Chair opened hearing on

**HB 2037 - Repeal of sunsets on recovery of certain utility costs for use of public rights-of-way and for security**

Proponents:

Mark Schreiber, Westar Energy (Attachment 1)  
Larry Dolci, Great Plains Energy (Attachment 2)  
Mike Bier, Great Plains Energy (Attachment 3)  
Robert Nichols, Aquila (Attachment 4)  
Written only - Bruce Graham, KEPCO (Attachment 5)

Opponents:

David Springe, CURB (Attachment 6)

Chair opened hearing on:

**HB 2374 - Procedures for recovery of public utilities' security costs**

Proponents:

Rep. Carl Krehbiel (Attachment 7)  
Dick Rohlf, Westar Energy (Attachment 8)  
Robert Nichols, Aquila (Attachment 4)  
Larry Dolci, Great Plains Energy (Attachment 9)

CONTINUATION SHEET

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Opponents:

Larry Holloway, KCC ([Attachment 10](#))

David Springe, CURB ([Attachment 11](#))

Some discussion on whether all utilities (water, gas, electric) should be included in this bill - Rep. Carl Holmes, chairman of the House Utilities Committee answered that the other utilities are regulated by FERC and private entities.

Due to lack of time, hearings on both **HB 2037** and **HB 2374** were left open for continued discussion at the next meeting of the Senate Utilities Committee on March 18.

Chair opened hearing on

**HB 2131 - Update of energy efficiency standards for new commercial and industrial buildings.**

Proponents

Bruce Sneed, State Energy Resources Coordinating Council ([Attachment 12](#))

Jim Ploger, KCC ([Attachment 13](#))

Written testimony by Gene Meyer, KSU ([Attachment 14](#))

Charles Benjamin, Sierra Club ([Attachment 15](#))

Due to lack of time, testimony by proponents who have signed up will be continued at the next meeting of the Senate Utilities Committee on March 18, 2003.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann McMorris, Secretary

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