

## HOUSE BILL No. 2024

By Committee on Energy and Utilities

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9 AN ACT concerning the state corporation commission; relating to the  
10 promotion of wind generation.

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12 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

13 Section 1. (a) As used in this section:

14 (1) “Balancing authority” means an entity responsible for operating  
15 a control area within the southwest power pool rules and that matches  
16 generation with loads and maintains frequency within limits.

17 (2) “Control area” means an electric power system in which operators  
18 match loads to resources within the system, maintain scheduled inter-  
19 change between control areas, maintain frequency within reasonable lim-  
20 its and provide sufficient generation capacity to maintain operating  
21 reserves.

22 (3) “Postage stamp rates” means a single rate or charge within the  
23 southwest power pool tariff schedule to move electricity through and  
24 within the state.

25 (b) To increase the amount of wind energy generated in the state and  
26 available to utilities statewide, and in recognition of the southwest power  
27 pool’s movement toward postage stamp rates, the state corporation com-  
28 mission shall coordinate with the southwest power pool to create a state-  
29 wide balancing authority and a statewide pricing zone. The statewide  
30 balancing and pricing delineations shall not preclude the state from par-  
31 ticipating in a larger southwest power pool regional balancing authority  
32 or pricing zone.

33 (c) The commission shall coordinate with the southwest power pool  
34 to socialize wind generation interconnection costs among investor-owned  
35 electric public utilities, rural electric cooperatives and municipal utilities  
36 in the state for projects greater than or equal to 50 megawatts.

37 (d) Within 180 days of the effective date of this act, the commission  
38 shall develop the statewide balancing authority, the statewide pricing zone  
39 and other policies to socialize wind generation interconnection costs  
40 statewide.

41 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
42 publication in the Kansas register.