Approved: March 1, 2012

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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ENERGY AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Carl Holmes at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 in 785 of the DSOB.

All members were present except:

Representative Don Hineman-excused Representative Joe Seiwert-excused

Committee staff present:

Cindy Lash, Kansas Legislative Research Brian Turnbull, Kansas Legislative Research Mike Sterling, Kansas Revisor of Statutes Renae Hansen, Committee Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Tom Gross, Kansas Department of Health and Environment

Others in attendance:

Twenty-one including the attached list.

Introduction of Bills

Matt Sterling passed to the committee the list of bills introduced on January 10, 2012 (Attachment 1).

Representative Forrest Knox moved to introduce a bill that deals with the interim rates for natural gas pipelines, seconded by Reynaldo Mesa. The motion was passed.

Cindy Lash passed out to the committee a chart (<u>Attachment 2</u>) outlining the effects of not transferring \$400,000 SFG to the abandoned oil and gas well plugging well program, and a letter (<u>Attachment 3</u>) from the Kansas Board of Regents that was presented to the Joint committee on Information Technology on December 13, 2011.

Update on New EPA Regulations

Unless specifically noted, the individual remarks recorded herein have not been transcribed verbatim. Individual remarks as reported herein have not been submitted to the individuals appearing before the committee for editing or corrections.

CONTINUATION SHEET

Minutes of the HOUSE ENERGY AND UTILITIES Committee at {*Time} on Wednesday, January 11, in of the Capitol.

Tom Gross, Kansas Department of Health and Environment, (Attachment 4), spoke to the committee on the new EPA rules on KDHE air quality regulatory actions, and how they are affecting Kansas energy companies. His power point includes information on: Cross State air pollution rule (CSAPR), Ozone and Flint Hills smoke management plan (SMP), Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂), mercury and air toxics standards (MATS), new source performance standards (NSPS), Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines (RICE), and the maximum achievable control technology.

Questions were asked and comments made by Representatives: Joe Seiwert, Carl Holmes, Tom Sloan, and Forrest Knox.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.