

MINUTES OF THE SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carolyn McGinn at 3:45 p.m. on May 5, 2009, in Room 446-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Terry Bruce- excused
Senator Steve Morris- excused

Committee staff present:

Kristen Kellems, Revisor of Statutes Office
Mike Heim, Revisor of Statutes Office
Corey Carnahan, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Alissa Vogel, Committee Assistant

Others attending:

See attached list.

Senator McGinn asked Kristen Kellems to summarize the amendments proposed for **HB 2283 - Procedures for release of certain property of rural water districts.**

Kristen Kellems, Revisor of Statutes Office, outlined the amendments proposed for **HB 2283** including: modifying the title in **HB 2283** including the repeal of K.S.A. 12-527, replacing the language “geographic concern” with “going concern,” amending subsection (d) in new section 3 to state “In any event, the district may elect to retain facilities located within the city used for transmission of water, provided that the district continue to supply water service to benefit units outside the city. The district shall not receive compensation for facilities it elects to retain,” replacing the language “fair profit” with “adequate compensation,” and adding section 6 that states “The provisions of this act shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas rural water district act.” (Attachment 1)

She stood for questions. Senator Francisco suggested amending subsection (d) in the new section 3, beginning in the second line, to state “provided that the district used those facilities to continue to supply water service to benefit units outside the city.”

Senator Abrams suggested amending new section 1 and replace “not less than 30 days” with “not less than 60 days.”

Senator Abrams proposed inserting lines 27 through 29 of **HB 2318 - Defining participating member of a rural water district, requirements on water districts** into **HB 2283**. This amendment would allow all who live in a rural water district and pay taxes or fees to the rural water district (RWD) to have the opportunity to run for a rural water district board, including those who do not receive water services from the RWD. Senator Abrams moved to amend **HB 2283**, by inserting lines 27 through 29 of **HB 2318**. Senator Taddiken seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Senator Abrams moved to pass **HB 2283** favorably, as amended, out of Committee. Senator Teichman seconded the motion.

Senator Lee made a substitute motion to insert in the new section 3, subsection (d), the language Senator Francisco proposed and pass **HB 2283** favorably, as amended, out of Committee. Senator Abrams seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.