House Concurrent Resolution No. 5005

Committee on Energy and Utilities

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1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION establishing targets for energy
2	development, consumption and costs.
3	WHEREAS, Federal energy policy discussions have focused public
4	attention on climate issues and alternative energy futures; and
5	WHEREAS, Federal energy policy discussions and ultimate actions
6	will impact each state differently; and
7	WHEREAS, Energy sources to meet state needs will continue to
8	reflect their existing and potential generation resources; and
9	WHEREAS, The cost and availability of energy to consumers,
10	businesses and industries will determine quality of life and economic
11	opportunities in each state; and
12	WHEREAS, Direct and indirect energy costs and their impacts on
13	individual consumers and consumer sectors have not been widely
14	discussed at the federal level, but are of great concern to state
15	policymakers: Now, therefore,
16	Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas,
17	the Senate concurring therein: That we believe that Kansas' public,
18	elected policymakers and executive agency personnel should have
19	specific targets for energy development, consumption and cost
20	containment; and
21	Be it further resolved: That compared to January 1, 2010, by
22	December 31, 2020 the following
23	policy objectives should be achieved and all state agencies, including
24	the Board of Regents, Kansas Bio-Science Authority, Kansas Corporation
25	Commission, Kansas Department of Health & Environment, and the
26	Kansas Development Finance Authority, are charged with the
27	responsibility of assisting both the public and private sectors to achieve
28	them:
29	RENEWABLE ENERGY: At peak generation and consumption
30	periods, 20% of all electricity used by Kansas residential, commercial and
31	industrial customers shall have been generated from renewable resources;
32	and
33	All Title IV landfills in Kansas shall capture at least 90% of otherwise
34	escaping methane gas from decomposing refuse or shall convert new and
35	existing municipal waste into synthetic gas for use in generating

36 electricity and fueling motor vehicles; and

1 At least 2% of motor fuels sold in Kansas shall contain ethanol from 2 cellulosic processing or bio-fuel synthetic gas; and

3 ENERGY STORAGE: The Kansas Corporation Commission shall 4 coordinate with Kansas electric utilities and the Southwest Power Pool to 5 study and implement five energy storage projects to cost-effectively 6 address transmission line constraint relief, distributive generation 7 reliability, electric distribution system reliability, and to firm renewable 8 energy generation; and

9 ENERGY CONSERVATION AND EFFICIENCY: The U.S. and Kansas economies will continue to recover strength after the recession of 10 2008 and 2009 and electricity demand shall return to its normal 1% to 11 1.5% annual growth. Unabated, this will result in approximately 15% 12 greater electricity demand by January 1, 2021, than existed as of 13 December 31, 2009. In cooperation with the Kansas Corporation 14 Commission, all Kansas electric utilities shall develop measurable 15 16 programs to reduce the anticipated rate of growth to 10%, without 17 consumers experiencing a quality of life degradation; and

18 TRANSMISSION: To develop Kansas' renewable energy generation 19 potential, increase energy exports beyond state borders, provide a more 20 robust transmission system resulting in increased energy reliability and 21 lower cost electricity to high cost service areas, 1,000 miles of new and 22 upgraded transmission lines will be constructed; and

23 RESEARCH AND RETRO-FIT: The Kansas Board of Regents and 24 the Kansas Department of Commerce shall cooperate and coordinate 25 efforts such that energy research in Kansas by private and public persons 26 and institutions shall cumulatively generate \$500 million in grants, 27 sponsored research, and sales of products and technologies that increase 28 energy production, the efficient use of energy and the development of 29 new low-carbon footprint energy sources; with a target of at least \$75 30 million per year beginning January 1, 2012; and

31 To accomplish this objective, The Kansas Development Finance 32 Authority and Kansas Bio-Science Authority shall develop enhanced 33 grant, loan and loan assurance programs that better enable energy 34 researchers to secure federal and private sector funding to research, develop, commercialize and market energy-related products and services. 35 Such loan assurance programs are not to increase state debt obligations, 36 37 but to demonstrate to investors that the State of Kansas believes investing in such companies and research is a prudent investment in our nation's 38 39 future: and

Smart Grid is the enhanced, real-time communications between
elements of the integrated electric system that permit greater efficiencies
in the production, distribution and consumption of electricity. In
cooperation with the Kansas Corporation Commission, Kansas electric

utilities shall strive to ensure that at least 70% of transmission and
 distribution line segments and appurtenances and at least 50% of all
 electric meters for each public utility shall be "smart grid compliant;"
 and

5 Existing coal-fired generation units, including both electric public 6 utilities and nonpublic utilities, shall reduce the rate of their carbon 7 dioxide releases per BTU to equal or less than 125% of natural gas 8 generation plants constructed in 2009; and

9 IMPACTS ON KANSANS: The Kansas Department of Commerce 10 and the Board of Regents, as lead agencies, shall enhance workforce 11 development, recruitment and training programs that lead to an 12 employment growth rate in energy production, conservation/efficiency, 13 research and related sectors of 15% per year beginning in 2012; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to the Governor, the Board of Regents, the Kansas Bio-Science Authority, the State Corporation Commission, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the

18 Kansas Development Finance Authority.