

## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl Holmes at 9:00 A.M. on March 21, 2006 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Melody McCray-Miller- excused

Committee staff present:

Mary Galligan, Kansas Legislative Research

Mary Torrence, Revisor's Office

Heather Klaasen, Research Intern

Renaë Hansen, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Mary Galligan, Kansas State Research

Others attending:

See attached list.

Hearing on:

**SB 303**      **Containing former HB 2900,2901,2902,2903,2904**

It was decided by consensus to title this bill "The Kansas Energy Development Act".

Hearing on:

**Sub HB 2723** **Sub for H 2723 by Committee on Taxation--Income tax credits and deductions for certain energy efficiency improvements.**

Chairman Carl Holmes had staff pass out the language for **Sub for HB 2723** (Attachment 1), as amended by the House Taxation committee. Revisor Mary Torrence explained to the committee what this new language proposed to offer consumers in the way of tax credits and accelerated depreciation for land lords should they choose to add heating and cooling conservation mechanisms to their rental units.

Questions were asked and comments made by Representatives: Lynne Oharah, and Rob Olson.

Representative Rob Olson moved to amend **Sub HB 2723** Section 1 (a) (2) striking the words "and duplexes" and 1 (a) (3) striking the words "other than duplexes". Seconded by Representative Jim Morrison.

Questions were asked by Representatives Don Myers and Rob Olson.

Representative Olson closed on the motion to amend.

Motion carried.

Representative Don Myers moved to amend **Sub HB 2723**, page 3 line 2 adding in the words ",to include installation costs" after the word system. Seconded by Representative Jim Morrison. Motion passed unanimously.

Representative Jim Ward asked specifically about the fiscal notes for **Sub HB 2723** and **HB 2900, 2901, 2902, 2903, 2904** now appearing as **Sub SB 303**. Researcher Mary Galligan gave a brief explanation of the Department of Revenues estimates of fiscal notes for each of these bills.

Representative Forrest Knox asked if it was possible to know of the impact of the additional jobs and their tax revenues that would be created by the construction projects that each of these bills would create in Kansas.

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More questions and comments ensued on **Sub HB 2723** by Representatives: Lynne Oharah, Carl Holmes, and Forrest Knox.

Representative Forrest Knox moved to strike page 1, Section 1 (a) (3) “dwelling units served by the system for” and add an “s” at the end of the word “system” on line 4 of Section 1 (a) (3). Seconded by Representative Lynne Oharah in **Sub HB 2723**.

Discussion followed by Representatives: Tom Sloan, Carl Krehbiel, Lynne Oharah, Tom Hawk, and Mitch Holmes.

Representative Forrest Knox closed on his motion to amend.

Motion Failed.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend **Sub HB 2723** Section 1 (a) (3) line 4 by adding “ for which there are temperature control devices” following the words “conditioning system”. Seconded by Representative Annie Kuether.

Comments were offered by Representatives: Mitch Holmes, Tom Sloan, and Carl Krehbiel.

Representative Sloan closed on the amendment.

Motion to amend passed.

Representative Annie Kuether moved to amend **Sub HB2723** into **SB 70**. Seconded by Representative Carl Krehbiel. Motion passes.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend **Sub SB 70** (Attachment 2) with language similar to HB 2642 with a few changes per the committees recommendations. Seconded by Representative Josh Svaty.

Discussion followed by Representatives: Carl Krehbiel, Tom Sloan, Don Myers, Jason Watkins, Jim Ward, Judy Morrison, Lynne Oharah, Rob Olson, Tom Hawk, and Josh Svaty.

Representative Tom Sloan closed on the motion to amend.

Motion to amend failed.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend **Sub SB 70** (Attachment 3). Seconded by Representative Jim Ward.

Discussion followed by Representatives: Carl Krehbiel, Lynne Oharah, Don Myers, Carl Holmes, Peggy Mast, and Oletha Faust-Goudeau.

Representative Sloan closed on the amendment.

Motion failed.

Action on now **Sub SB 70** will continue tomorrow.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2006.

Meeting Adjourned.