

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl Holmes at 9:00 A.M. on February 1, 2006 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Oletha Faust- Goudeau-excused

Committee staff present:

Mary Galligan, Kansas Legislative Research  
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research  
Mary Torrence, Revisor's Office  
Rena Hansen, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Erick Nordling, SW Kansas Royalty Owners Association  
Dave Corbin, Assistant to the Secretary of Revenue  
John Crump, President, SW Kansas Royalty Owners Association  
Jon Callen, President, KIOGA  
Terry D. Holdren, KFB Governmental Relations, Kansas Farm Bureau

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairman Carl Holmes gave committee members information (Attachment 1), about Russia's plans to mine rare helium-3.

Erick Nordling, SW Kansas Royalty Owners Association, (Attachment 2), used an old oil and gas lease to explain the particulars of a lease to committee members.

Dave Corbin, Assistant to the Secretary of Revenue, (Attachment 3), offered a final update on **HR 6024** which formed a task force to identify a solution to the issues presented during hearings on **HB 2146**.

John Crump, President, SW Kansas Royalty Owners Association, (Attachment 4), gave some background information on **HB 2673**.

Questions were asked by Representatives: Tom Sloan and Melody Miller.

Hearing on:

**HB 2673**      **Information required to be provided to oil and gas royalty interest owners regarding royalty payments.**

Jon Callen, President, KIOGA, (Attachment 5), presented testimony in favor of **HB 2673** that arose out of **HR 6024** on **HB 2146**.

Terry D. Holdren, KFB Governmental Relations, Kansas Farm Bureau, (Attachment 6), presented testimony in support of **HB 2673**.

Karen Russell, Wilson County Farm Bureau Association Board of Directors, (Attachment 7), presented testimony from their members that overwhelmingly support **HB 2673**.

Questions were asked by Representative: Rob Olson.

Hearing on **HB 2673** was closed.

CONTINUATION SHEET

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Because of the nature of this bill and its formulation by a committee of individuals from both sides of the issue:

Representative Tom Sloan moved to pass the bill as presented. Seconded by Josh Svaty. Passed unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2006.

Meeting Adjourned.