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2003 HOUSE GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

HB 1339

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1339

House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date ²⁻⁶⁻⁰³~~1-02-03~~

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Minutes: Chairman Klein; opened the hearing on HB 1339. All committee members were present.

Mike Brandenburg, Edgeley: There is \$85,000,000 worth of wind development going up in our area by a number of developers. 3 or 4 years ago I thought wind didn't have any value what so ever, so I'm here today on a matter of education. There is value to all of us in wind and coal because we are a coal state, coal has been very good for N.D. But the trouble we have right now is getting the coal out of the state as well as the wind. And transmission is the key. The load centers is what I want to talk about. There is a lot of environmentalists in the city. Coal and wind have to work together to get this done, so N.D. can grow together. When the wind doesn't blow we need the wind. We can get transmission 50 miles out of the city.

The Governor is looking at working together with a multi state entity working on transmission.

The wind resource in Minnesota is 13-15 miles per hour, and North Dakota is 22-25 miles per hour which is great but we don't have transmission. We need major transmission so we can carry

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500 mega watts. We are working out a deal that we are buying the power from, whether it be coal or wind.

Representative Kempenich: testified in favor of HB 1339 also a sponsor of the bill. A couple pieces of amendments to change this basically what we are trying to do is get some constraint within the transmission address and find out where this is going to to and I guess the main purpose of what this bill is trying to do is promote that. You can consider the amendment, and I think the amendment addresses it and and it shows the state is in support of what they are doing.

John Dwyer, President of the Lignite Energy Council: I support this bill as amended by Representative Kempenich. We do not support the original bill as drafted, lack of accountability your creating another board, and I don't really know if that is the right approach. There is already activities under way within the industrial commission that is looking at the export constraint. The Industrial Commission is looking at a coalition of wind and coal interests to talk about this very thing. I have some testimony here, basically what the testimony does is try to identify the most cost effective routes for coal and wind projects. **(SEE ATTACHED TESTIMONY)**.

Bob Harms, Governors Office: I'm here in support of HB 1339, the Governor, and the Industrial Commission, recognize that transmission is a key impediment to developing energy supplies whether it is wind or coal. So we have been involved with activities at the time.

Governors Office believes raising public awareness of transmission and expressing a public policy stating transmission is an important issue is a good idea.

Ilona Jeffcoat-Sacco, Director, Public Utilities Division, PSC: appeared neutral in testimony on HB 1339 and provided a written statement. **(SEE ATTACHED TESTIMONY)**.

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Hearing closed.

Representative Haas: made a motion to amend as presented by Representative Kempenich.

Representative Potter: **SECOND** the motion.

Motion carried to amend.

Representative Haas: made a **DO PASS MOTION** on HB 1339.

Representative Meier: **SECOND** the do pass motion.

VOTE 12 YES 2 NO 0 ABSENT.

Motion passed as amended.

Meeting adjourned.

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FISCAL NOTE
 Requested by Legislative Council
 02/10/2003

Amendment to: HB 1339

1A. **State fiscal effect:** Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.

	2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

1B. **County, city, and school district fiscal effect:** Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

2001-2003 Biennium			2003-2005 Biennium			2005-2007 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

2. **Narrative:** Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.

House Bill 1339 as amended declares the Legislature's intent that the issue of electricity transmission export constraints be given priority. No specific costs are indicated in the bill.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:

A. **Revenues:** Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.

B. **Expenditures:** Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.

C. **Appropriations:** Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.

Name:	Karlene Fine	Agency:	Industrial Commission
Phone Number:	328-3722	Date Prepared:	02/10/2003

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FISCAL NOTE
 Requested by Legislative Council
 01/15/2003

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1339

1A. State fiscal effect: *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures			\$9,500		\$9,500	
Appropriations			\$9,500		\$9,500	

1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2001-2003 Biennium			2003-2005 Biennium			2005-2007 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2. Narrative: *Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.*

The present language of HB 1339 does not reference compensation or travel reimbursement to any members except legislators. The fiscal note includes travel expenses for the Governor or his designee and legislative members.

3. State fiscal effect detail: *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. Revenues: *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

B. Expenditures: *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

The expenditures include \$3,900 of travel costs for the Governor's Office and \$5,600 compensation and travel to legislative members.

C. Appropriations: *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.*

Name:	Sandy Paulson	Agency:	OMB for Governor's Office
Phone Number:	328-2148	Date Prepared:	01/22/2003

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Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for
Representative Kempenich
February 5, 2003

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2/6/03

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1339 GVA 2-07-03

Page 1, line 1, after "A BILL" replace the remainder of the bill with "for an Act for resolution of electricity transmission export constraints."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. Governmental public purpose - Electricity transmission export constraint priority. The legislative assembly finds and declares that it is an essential governmental function and public purpose to assist with the removal of electrical transmission export constraints and to assist with the upgrading and expansion of the region's electrical transmission grid in order to facilitate the development of the state's abundant natural resources for export to the region's consumers. The industrial commission shall give priority to those projects, processes, or activities that assist with the resolution of electricity transmission export constraints in this state."

Renumber accordingly

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Date: 2-6-03
Roll Call Vote #:

2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1339

House GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS Committee

Check here for Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Move to amend as presented

Motion Made By Rep. Haas Seconded By Rep. Potter

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman M.M. Klein			B. Amerman		
Vice Chairman B.B. Grande			L. Potter		
W.R. Devlin			C. Williams		
C.B. Haas			L. Winrich		
J. Kasper					
L.R. Klemin					
L. Meier					
M. Sitte					
W.W. Tieman					
R.H. Wikenheiser					

Total (Yes) 13 No 1

Absent -

Floor Assignment -

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

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