

**SENATE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
COMMITTEE ROSTER**

2013

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SENATE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE RULES

2013-2014

- 1.) All meetings of the Committee shall be open to the public in accordance with Senate Rule [1-5.1].
- 2.) The quorum for the Science and Technology Committee shall be three (3) members.
- 3.) The Chairman shall determine which bills and resolutions are to be considered and the order in which said measures are considered; the Chairman shall have the authority to call a bill, resolution, substitute or amendment for debate and explanation only.
- 4.) The Chairman shall have the sole authority to refer bills and resolutions to subcommittees for study. Such subcommittees, in turn, shall have the authority to make recommendations on such measures to the full committee. All actions of any subcommittee shall be approved or disapproved by the standing Committee.
- 5.) The committee shall convene, recess and adjourn upon the order of the Chairman.
- 6.) The Chairman reserves the right to delay action on substitutes and amendments not provided to the Chairman at least 48 hours prior to hearing.
- 7.) Any member or members of the Committee who disagree with the majority report of the Committee shall be privileged to file a Minority report in writing, setting forth concise reasons for their dissent.
- 8.) These rules may be amended or waived upon a motion duly made and subsequently approved by a quorum of the Committee, in a meeting called by the Chairman.
- 9.) A bill, resolution, or other matter will be considered only after presentation by its principal author or a legislator whom he or she designated to do so. In the event that more than one member of the General Assembly has signed a measure, the principal author shall be the one whose name appears first in the list of authors.
- 10.) When these rules are silent on a specific issue, the Rules of the Senate, as adopted, shall govern.

Minutes
Senate Science and Technology Committee
Monday, February 11, 2013; 1:00 PM
Room MEZZ – CAP

Chairman Loudermilk called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM, announcing that a quorum was present. The following members were in attendance:

Senator Barry Loudermilk, 14th, Chairman
Senator Brandon Beach, 21st, Vice-Chairman
Senator Chuck Hufstetler, 52nd
Senator Valencia Seay, 34th

This was the first meeting of the Senate Science and Technology Committee of the 2013 Legislative Session. Chairman Loudermilk welcomed committee members and guests.

The first order of business was the adoption of the committee rules for the 2013-2014 Legislative Term. *Motion to adopt the committee rules* was made by Senator Brandon Beach, seconded by Senator Valencia Seay; *motion passed unanimously*.

There being no further business, Chairman Loudermilk adjourned the meeting at 1:14 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Senator Brandon Beach, 21st
Vice-Chairman
Senate Science and Technology Committee

/s/ Marcie Draper
Recording Secretary

Minutes
Senate Science and Technology Committee
Monday, March 11, 2013; 3:00 PM
Room MEZZ – CAP

The House and Senate Science and Technology Committees held a joint meeting to discuss “Submerged Plasma Arc Technology.” The meeting included a presentation by MagneGas, a revolutionary gasification technology company that takes liquid waste including sewage, FOGS (Fats, Oils & Greases), animal waste and spent vehicle fluids and safely converts them into a clean natural gas. The benefits of this technology include safe onsite liquid waste disposal, irrigation and fertilization assistance and the creation of MagneGas for uses such as fueling vehicles, heating buildings and metal cutting. The presenters included Costas Simoglou, Director of the Center of Innovation for Energy Technologies and Ermanno Santilli, CEO of MagneGas Corporation.

There being no further business, Chairman Loudermilk adjourned the meeting at 4:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Senator Jason Carter, 42nd
Secretary

/s/ Marcie Draper
Recording Secretary