

**Rep. Sloan on Faculty of Legislative Energy Horizon Institute**

Rep. Tom Sloan (R, Lawrence) participated as a faculty member and performance reviewer at the Legislative Energy Horizon Institute (LEHI). Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL), the Government of Canada, and the University of Idaho, LEHI provides state legislators an intensive energy education. The program begins with the basics of how electricity is made to in depth presentations on how the electric grid is changing with technological advances, implications of the EPA's Clean Power Plan Rules, and global energy production.

Rep. Sloan provided analytical comments to assist the enrolled legislators in connecting how advances in electricity metering, personal communications, shale gas, improvements in renewable energy generation, and other technological advances make possible the carbon emission reduction requirements of the Clean Power Plan. This is the fifth year in which LEHI has been held and Rep. Sloan provided a review of program content, strengths, and weaknesses with suggestions on how the program can be even more relevant for state legislators.

"The LEHI program is a significant contribution to the education of state legislators on the complexities and inter-relatedness of energy sectors," Sloan said. "I was honored to be invited to evaluate and participate in the program."

Rep. Sloan has served on the Department of Energy's Electricity Advisory Committee and the GridWise Architecture Council. He is a member of the NCSL's Energy Supply Task Force and is Co-Chairman of the Council of State Governments' Interstate Electric Transmission Siting Compact. He is Chairman of the Kansas House of Representatives' Vision 2020 Committee and a member of both the Transportation and Agriculture & Natural Resources Committees. He is serving his 11th term.

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