

## MINUTES OF THE SENATE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Garrett Love at 8:50am on Tuesday, February 24, 2015, 159-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Ralph Ostmeyer – Excused

Committee staff present:

Mark Savoy, Legislative Research Department

Heather O'Hara, Legislative Research Department

Natalie Scott, Office of Revisor of Statutes

David Wiese, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

No conferees present

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

### **Discussion & possible action on bills previously heard**

After calling the meeting to order, Chairperson Love asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the meetings held on February 5, February 9, February 10, and February 17. The minutes had previously been distributed to the committee for their review. *Senator Powell moved to approve the minutes as written. Senator Hawk seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

Chairperson Love then opened the floor for questions, discussion, or action on **SB189 - Creating an institutional license to practice veterinary medicine**. There being no discussion or questions, *Senator Abrams moved to recommend SB189 favorably for passage. Senator Kerschen seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

Chairperson Love commented, regarding **SB134 - Amendments to the Kansas Noxious Weed Law**, that it made a lot of changes to the law as far as the committee was concerned. Concerns had also been expressed by noxious weed directors. Therefore, Chairperson Love stated that he would like to request an interim committee to further discuss and debate the bill. He asked for discussion or questions regarding the bill. There being none, *Senator Abrams moved to table SB134. Senator Powell seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

Then, *Senator Abrams moved to request an interim committee to study SB134. Senator Powell seconded the motion.* Senator Francisco stated that sending the bill to an interim committee seems to be the appropriate course of action. However, she requests that, if there are any extra days in the committee during the remainder of the session, there be an informational hearing on **SB134** in order to stimulate further discussion. This might help reduce the amount of time that the committee would need to investigate the bill. There being no further discussion, a vote was taken. *Motion carried.*

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES of the Committee on Agriculture at 8:50am on Tuesday, February 24, 2015, 159-S of the Capitol.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00am.