

MINUTES OF THE SENATE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Garrett Love at 8:39am on Tuesday, March 17, 2015, 159-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

Committee staff present:

Mark Savoy, Legislative Research Department
Fran Lusk, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant
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:

Ralph Richardson, Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine, K-State
Gary Reser, KS Veterinary Medical Association
Rep. Tom Moxley
Mike Beam, Sr., Kansas Livestock Association
Herb Graves, State Association of Kansas Watersheds
Josh Roe, Kansas Department of Agriculture
Gary Regehr, Upper Little Arkansas River WJD No. 95
John Cowley, Kansas Farm Bureau
David Zeit, Nemaha Brown Watershed Joint District No. 7
David Flick, Terra Technologies
Brock Emmert, The Watershed Institute and Land Trust
Mike Stevenson, Watershed Land Trust

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Hearing on:

Senator Love opened the hearing on **HB2364 - Removing the sunset on the veterinary training program for rural Kansas**, and gave the floor to David Wiese, Office of the Revisor, for the bill brief. HB2364 ([Attachment 1](#)) .

Proponents:

Ralph Richardson, Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine, K-State, gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB2364. (Attachment 2)**

Gary Reser, Representative of the Kansas Veterinary Medical Association, gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB2364. (Attachment 3)**

Senator Love closed the hearing on **SB2364**.

Discussion on the Bill:

Unless specifically noted, the individual remarks recorded herein have not been transcribed verbatim. Individual remarks as reported herein have not been submitted to the individuals appearing before the committee for editing or corrections.

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Senator Knox moved to amend **HB2364** to leave the existing language and change the date to 2026. Seconded by Senator Holmes. Motion carried.

Senator Knox moved to recommend **HB2364** favorably as amended for passage. Seconded by Senator Hawk. Motion carried.

Hearing on:

Senator Love opened the hearing on **HB2061 - Amending the powers and duties of the Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of Conservation and the State Conservation Commission**, and gave the floor to David Wiese, Office of the Revisor, for the bill brief. ([Attachment 4](#))

Proponents:

Representative Tom Moxley, gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB2061**. ([Attachment 5](#))

Mike Beam, Sr., Kansas Livestock Association, gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB2061**. ([Attachment 6](#))

Herb Graves, State Association of Kansas Watersheds, gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB2061**. ([Attachment 7](#))

Josh Roe, Kansas Department of Agriculture, gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB2061**. ([Attachment 8](#))

Gary Regehr, Upper Little Arkansas River Watershed Joint District No. 95, gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB2061**. ([Attachment 9](#))

John Cowley, Kansas Farm Bureau, gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB2061**. ([Attachment 10](#))

David Zeit, Nemaha Brown Watershed Joint District No. 7, gave testimony before the committee in support of **HB2061**. ([Attachment 11](#))

Opponents:

Craig Gump, Terra Technologies, gave testimony before the committee in opposition to **HB2061**. ([Attachment 12](#)) .

Brock Emmert, The Watershed Institute, gave testimony before the committee in opposition to **HB2061**. ([Attachment 13](#))

Mike Stevenson, Watershed Land Trust, gave testimony before the committee in opposition to **HB2061**. ([Attachment 14](#))

Senator Love closed the hearing on **HB2061**.

Senator Love asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the meetings held on February 24 and

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March 9. The minutes had previously been distributed to the committee for their review. Senator Francisco moved to approve the minutes as written. Senator Hawks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 18, 2015.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 a.m.