

MINUTES OF THE SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Larry Powell at 8:30am on Thursday, March 10, 2016, 159-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:  
Senator Dan Kerschen – Excused

Committee staff present:  
Tamera Lawrence, Office of Revisor of Statutes  
Heather O'Hara, Legislative Research Department  
Toni Beck, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant  
Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department

Conferees appearing before the Committee:  
No conferees present

Others in attendance:  
[See Attached List](#)

**Introductions**

Chairman Powell introduced Marietta Houser, Ulysses, Kansas, and 20 people in the Junior Leader program visiting the Capitol today. Abby Heitzman was introduced by Senator Pyle as his shadow for the day.

**Discussion & action on: HB2490 — Allowing the secretary of the Kansas department of agriculture to contain chemical toxins and other plant pests for the protection of the public health.**

Chairman Powell turned the Committee's attention to **HB2490-Allowing the secretary of the Kansas Department of Agriculture to contain chemical toxins and other plant pests for the protection of the public health.**

Tamera Lawrence presented an amendment to the bill.  
[\(Attachment 1\)](#)

*Senator Francisco moved an amendment change for "biological substance" in line 36 and 37 of the bill. Senator Hawk seconded. Motion adopted.*

*Senator Ostmeyer motioned, Senator Arpke seconded the amended bill for favorable passage. Motion adopted.*

**Discussion & action on: HB2059 — Senate Substitute for HB 2059 by Committee on Natural Resources - Creating an application requirement and fee to appropriate water that otherwise**

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**leaves the state and creating a chemigation permit exception.**

Chairman Powell turned the Committee's attention to **HB2059-Creating an application requirement and fee to appropriate water that otherwise leaves the state and creating a chemigation permit exception.**

Tamera Lawrence presented a balloon amendment on the bill. ([Attachment 2](#))

*Senator Pyle moved, Senator Arpke seconded, the balloon amendment to "remove section 1, Department of Agriculture" from the bill. Motion adopted.*

*Senator Arpke moved, Senator Ostmeyer seconded, the amended bill for favorable passage. Motion failed.*

Chairman Powell turned the Committee's attention to **HB2479-Amendments to the Kansas noxious weeds law.**

*Senator Hawk moved, Senator Francisco seconded, the balloon amendment striking "rules and regulations, page 1; eradication of noxious weeds, page 2; secretary, page 2; organic producer, page 3; three year term, page 3; secretary, page 4; report to the legislature, page 4; sunset rule, page 4; legislative action, page 5; advisory committee, page 6; weed control, page 6; K.S.A. 2-1214b, page 6; funding, page 8." Senator Francisco requested an additional friendly amendment, seconded by Senator Hawk, to remove "harmful" in line 11. Motion adopted. ([Attachment 3](#))*

*Senator Hawk moved an amendment for "property tax lid". Senator Francisco seconded the motion. Motion failed. Senators Francisco and Hawk are a recorded, "yes" vote. ([Attachment 4](#))*

*Senator McGinn moved an amendment for "drift of pesticide spray". Senator Francisco seconded the motion. Motion adopted. ([Attachment 5](#))*

*A technical amendment for language cleanup was requested by Tamera Lawrence; line 28, page 2; line 21, page 3; line 28, page 3; line 24, page 10. Senator Francisco moved, Senator Smith seconded the motion. Motion adopted. ([Attachment 6](#))*

Continuation action on **HB2479-Amendments to the Kansas noxious weeds law**, will be at a scheduled meeting, Friday, March 11.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am.

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