

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

Held in Room 423-S, at the Statehouse at 9:00 a. m. ~~PM~~, on JANUARY 20, 1981.

All members were present except:

Vice Chairperson Aylward - Excused
Rep. Polson - Excused

The next meeting of the Committee will be held at 9:00 a. m. ~~PM~~, on JANUARY 21, 1981.

These minutes of the meeting held on JANUARY 20, 1981 were considered, corrected and approved.

The conferees appearing before the Committee were:

John M. Beezley
Chairman

The meeting of the House Agriculture and Livestock Committee was brought to order by Chairman Beezley who stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss what the Committee thought would be important in the way of bill introduction this session. He said that Vice Chairperson Aylward wanted to re-introduce the Implied Warranty Bill. Representatives Sand and Sifers are going to introduce a corporate farm bill that will relate to the clarification of the law for universities, churches and businesses. The Chairman then brought up the subject of Co-op Boards; the method of selection and election of members. Many Committee members gave their comments, the consensus being that most members are unwilling to see a bill introduced at this time. Rep. Johnson asked that staff look into the constitutionality of retained earnings.

Rep. Fuller asked if the Committee had dealt with the Kansas brand laws in the past. Rep. Leach replied that two years ago there was quite an extensive study done regarding the brand laws. After a few comments from the Chairman, Rep. Fuller stated that he had no further questions.

Rep. Leach read a letter from one of his constituents regarding an attack by a dog that had strayed from its owners' property and attacked the constituent's daughter. He said that some of the leash laws date back to 1921. This prompted Committee discussion on interpretation of the laws, civil redress and law enforcement and the cruelty to animals statute. Don Hayward of Revisors read 47-646 and 1980 Supplement 21-4310 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated. Rep. Hamm said that he thought this matter should be looked into further. Rep. Leach moved that staff research this matter and report back to Committee. Rep. Teagarden gave a second to the motion. The motion carried.

Rep. Campbell introduced Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wehrman from Sylvan Grove, Ks.

Rep. Crowell stated that at a future time he would give a report on providing money for young farmers to get into business.

The minutes were approved and the Chairman adjourned the meeting.