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*Fred Kerr*

4/3/84

Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND SMALL BUSINESS

The meeting was called to order by Senator Fred Kerr at  
Chairperson

10:00 a.m./~~pm~~ on Wednesday, March 28, 1984, 19   in room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Ross Doyen (E)  
Senator Ed Reilly (E)

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Research Department  
Jim Wilson, Revisor's office

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Charles Nicolay, Kansas Oil Marketers Association, Topeka  
Don Jacka, State Department of Agriculture  
Tom Tunnell, Kansas Grain & Feed Dealers Assn., Hutchinson  
John Blythe, Kansas Farm Bureau

Senator Norvell moved the March 27, 1984 minutes be approved, seconded by Senator Karr. Motion carried.

SCR 1665 - Senator Kerr called on Senator Montgomery to present SCR 1665. Senator Montgomery stated a number of people had expressed concern relative to the testing of meters and measuring devices used at the point of bulk transportation and delivery of refined petroleum products, so he requested SCR 1665.

Chuck Nicolay stated there is a Division of Weights and Measures under the Department of Agriculture and another such division under the Department of Revenue. He feels it may be more efficient to have coordinating checking services; they are interested in the accuracy of meters.

Don Jacka stated the Department of Agriculture has no problem with SCR 1665 and they would welcome a study investigating activities pertaining to the testing of meters, but they are concerned about the lack of funds for the Weights and Measures Division since they have trucks which are old and need to be replaced, and are understaffed.

Answering Senator Karr's inquiry as to the type of complaints, Mr. Jacka stated it is not with the quality of service but with the frequency of inspections which is impossible to do with their limited staff and equipment.

Senator Kerr called attention to the balloon draft distributed which includes the grain moisture measuring devices also. (See Attachment 1). Senator Montgomery stated he wanted to make sure there would be some way to study having a standard dockage available. Senator Thiessen stated KSU has a number of charts available but they are not all the same.

After further discussion, Senator Montgomery moved the words "and dockage procedures" be inserted in the first block in the balloon draft after "devices" and in the lower block after the word "devices", seconded by Senator Norvell. Motion carried. Senator Allen moved SCR 1665 be reported favorably as amended, seconded by Senator Montgomery. Motion carried.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND SMALL BUSINESS,  
room 423-S, Statehouse, at 10:00 a.m./~~xxx~~ on Wednesday, March 28, 1984, 19   .

INTERIM COMMITTEE STUDIES - Senator Kerr called attention to the various areas which have been suggested for interim study--the seed law, and the two subject areas included in SCR 1665, and inquired if anyone in the room wanted to suggest an area to be studied.

Tom Tunnell informed the committee the KFGDA will actively participate in the study of the moisture meters. He had another area which he feels should be considered; that is, the suppliers of fertilizers, chemicals and seeds are now in the third position in collecting bills. They help producers with financial activities and should share priority status with the banks.

Senator Kerr requested Mr. Tunnell to send him a written statement as to what his specific request is to be as to the proposed topics for consideration as an interim study.

John Blythe indicated the Grain Inspection Department does require the posting of their dockage procedure in each elevator. He is very much interested in the International Grains Program and stressing the exporting of grains. He feels the facilities should be expanded and he would like to see it ongoing. He heard the Ways and Means Committee has been speaking about separating the IGP from the KSU budget and he feels that the committee should be following that aspect. He referred to the UCC relative to the priorities in debt payments, stating Illinois and Indiana have addressed this situation.

Senator Kerr also requested Mr. Blythe to furnish him with a written request of his priorities to be studied.

Senator Gannon stated he had been in a number of meetings and that universities are now offering degrees in agri-business and he felt there might be merit in making a study to see if this would be feasible for KSU.

Senator Kerr stated if it is necessary to have another committee meeting to finalize the list of items for interim study he would so inform the members. He thanked the committee members and staff for their dedicated and cooperative efforts in solving a number of problem areas over the last four years.

The meeting was adjourned.

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SENATE

AGRICULTURE AND SMALL BUSINESS COMMITTEE

10:00 a.m., Room 423-S

Wednesday, Mar 28, 1984

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ORGANIZATION

NAME	ADDRESS	ORGANIZATION
Paul Beckwith	Salina	Salina Board
Jeff Dassenbach	Bern	" "
Kenneth Cook	Salina	" "
Wanda Plattner	"	" "
Edna Plattner	"	" "
Ray Wampler	Lawrence	" "
Lois Wampler	Hoff	" "
Mike Ryan	Topeka	KLA
Dwight Haring	Moundridge	Moundridge High School
John Blythe	Manhattan	KFB
DON JACKA	TOPEKA	ST. BOARD OF AGRICULTURE
TOM TUNNELL	HUTCHINSON	KSFDA
WAYNE ELMORE	TOPEKA	REVEREND
RALPH TETER	"	"
JOHN O'NEILL	"	ST Bd of Agr
JAMES H. AKEY	"	ST. Bd. OF AGRICULTURE
Charles Hickey	Topeka	Ks Oil Marketers Assn.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1665

By Senator Montgomery

ATTACHMENT 1, 3/28/84

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS  
(For consideration by Senate Committee  
Agriculture and Small Business)  
3-27-84

0015 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION providing for a special com-  
0016 mittee to make a legislative study concerning the testing and  
0017 certification of meters and measuring devices used in mea-  
0018 suring refined petroleum products at the point of bulk trans-  
0019 portation and delivery.

0020 Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House  
0021 of Representatives concurring therein: That the legislative co-  
0022 ordinating council appoint a special committee to study the  
0023 duties and functions of the division of weights and measures of  
0024 the state board of agriculture and the director of taxation of the  
0025 department of revenue relating to the testing, measuring, cali-  
0026 brating and certifying of meters and other measuring devices for  
0027 the purpose of determining the most efficient method of provid-  
0028 ing for proper testing of such devices used in measuring refined  
0029 petroleum products at the point of bulk transportation and de-  
0030 livery.

and the regulation of grain moisture measuring devices used for commercial purposes

(1)

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; and (2) the need for and means of regulation, by the division of weights and measures of the state board of agriculture, of the use and accuracy of grain moisture measuring devices which are used for commercial purposes

and dockage procedures

Att. 1