

Approved April 23, 1986
Date

MINUTES OF THE Senate COMMITTEE ON Agriculture

The meeting was called to order by Senator Allen at
Chairperson

8:10 a.m. ~~XXX~~ on April 10, 1986 in room 422-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Norvell (excused)

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department
Arden Ensley, Revisor of Statutes Department

Conferees appearing before the committee: Marvin Webb, Director, Kansas State Grain
Inspection Department

Senator Allen called the Committee to order and called for Committee action on Committee minutes.

Senator Montgomery made a motion the Committee minutes of the April 2 meeting be approved. Senator Warren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Chairman called attention to HB 3115 and called on staff to explain the bill.

Mr. Gilliland explained that HB 3115 provides for the addition of certain fees that the Kansas State Grain Inspection Department may charge. These fees include (1) factor only analysis--class only, \$5.00; (2) Check-testing Large Weights, \$75.00; and (3) Large Weights Check-testing, Fee per Hour, \$11.00. Another provision of the bill would allow the increase from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per day for late fee for the late submission of a renewal for licensure and a prohibition for the Department to charge annual license fees computed on the basis of location grain capacity of fully functional facilities. Staff stated an amendment had been offered to add the wording in line 226 after 1985 of the bill to read, 'but shall be computed as otherwise authorized by law'.

The Chairman called on Marvin Webb to testify.

Mr. Webb, a proponent, gave copies of his testimony to the Committee (attachment 1). Mr. Webb requested favorable action on HB 3115 by the Committee.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Webb and called for Committee action on HB 3115.

Senator F. Kerr made a motion the Committee adopt the suggested amendment of the additional words 'but shall be computed as otherwise authorized by law' to follow 1985 in line 226 of HB 3115. Senator Karr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Senator Karr made a motion the Committee recommend HB 3115 favorable for passage as amended. Senator Warren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Chairman announced that the Committee would meet during the Veto Session to collect suggestions for summer interim study recommendations, and then adjourned the Committee at 8:25 a.m.

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REMARKS FOR THE SENATE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

PRESENTED

BY

MARVIN R. WEBB, DIRECTOR

KANSAS STATE GRAIN INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 1986

8:00 A.M.

ROOM 423-S - STATE HOUSE

*4/10/86 Sen. Ag.
attachment 1*

MR. CHAIRMAN ALLEN AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

I APPRECIATE YOUR WILLINGNESS TO GIVE H.B. 3115 YOUR ATTENTION. AS YOU MAY BE AWARE, THIS IS A CLEAN UP BILL MADE NECESSARY BY THE FACT THE HOUSE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE KILLED H.B. 3042. THIS BILL ALLOWS THE DEPARTMENT CHARGE FEES FOR THE "FACTOR ONLY ANALYSIS - CLASS ONLY" WHICH WE WOULD PROPOSE TO CHARGE \$3.00 PER CERTIFICATE. I PREVIOUSLY ASKED FOR A FEE FOR "FACTOR ONLY DETERMINATION". THE FGIS REQUESTED WE SHOW IT "FACTOR ONLY ANALYSIS" TO BE UNIFORM WITH THE NATIONAL FEE SCHEDULE FORMAT. THE REASON FOR THIS REQUEST IS THE LARGE AMOUNT OF CONTROVERSIAL VARIETIES THAT HAVE BEEN PLANTED FOR THE 1986 HARVEST. WE PRESENTLY CLASS WHEAT BY THE VISUAL MEANS ON KERNEL PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTIC. THE FGIS IS WORKING ON A MACHINE HARDNESS THAT MAY SOLVE THE CLASSING PROBLEM IN THE FUTURE; BUT, NOT FOR THIS HARVEST. ARKAN, WHICH IS WIDELY PUBLICIZED, IS A HARD RED WINTER WHEAT, BUT BY THE VISUAL PHYSICAL KERNEL CHARACTERISTICS SOME OF IT MAY BE CLASSED AS WHEATS OF OTHER CLASSES OR MIXED WHEAT. I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT, ARKAN BEING A PUBLIC VARIETY HAS TAKEN THE BLUNT OF CRITICISM, THE OTHER VARIETIES THAT ARE A PROBLEM WOULD LEAVE US UP FOR LAWSUITS IF WE REVEALED THEM. THE CHECK-TESTING OF LARGE WEIGHTS AT \$75.00 PER WEIGHT AND \$11.00 PER HOUR.

THESE CHARGES ARE IN RELATION TO THE NEW MASS COMPARATOR WHICH WE PLAN TO PURCHASE WHICH ALLOWS US TO CHECK TEST THESE HOPPER SCALE WEIGHTS IN THE HEAD-HOUSE OF THE ELEVATOR RATHER THAN REMOVING THEM AND TRANSPORTING THEM TO TOPEKA AND RETURN FOR AN ESTIMATED \$2,000 TO \$4,000 OR MORE WHEREIN OUR CHARGE IS ESTIMATED TO RUN APPROXIMATELY \$500.00 PER ELEVATOR.

BOTH OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED FEES ARE FOR NEW SERVICES. WE ARE REQUESTING THEM TO SERVICE THE GRAIN TRADE AND THE PRODUCERS, ETC. THESE FEES ARE ESTIMATED TO PRODUCE APPROXIMATELY \$15,000/YEAR.

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ON THE ADDITIONAL WAREHOUSE CHARGE FOR LATE FILING OF APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSES, IT WOULD BE AT THE NEW FEE OF \$5.00/DAY WHICH IS ESTIMATED ON THE BASIS OF LAST YEAR'S CHARGES AND WOULD GIVE US AN ADDITIONAL \$420.00.