

MINUTES OF THE Senate COMMITTEE ON Agriculture

The meeting was called to order by Senator Allen at _____
Chairperson

10:25 a.m. ~~am~~ on April 30, 1987 in room 527-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Arasmith (excused)
Senator Gannon (excused)
Senator Montgomery (excused)

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department
Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes Department

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Senator Allen called the Committee to order and called for Committee member requests for Summer Interim Studies suggestions. The Chairman then asked staff to hand out copies of suggested topics (attachment 1).

Committee comments and suggestions included: that the clear title issue should be included in the list, corporate farming issue should be included, an indepth study of fee structures should be made, it was suggested that maybe some of the topics could be combined so a lesser number of items would be requested, that a thorough study of the International Grains, Meat and Livestock Programs to determine exactly what they are doing needs to be done, the question was asked as to what happened to suggestions made by the Task Force of the summer of 1986, and it was suggested that within the requested list that a review of Extension be included along with a study that would suggest ways to encourage food processing endeavors within our state that would be a help to our agricultural economy.

The Chairman requested staff make a written statement of these requests in a combined form to be presented to the Legislative Coordinating Council.

Senator Allen adjourned the Committee at 10:45 a.m.

MEMORANDUM

April 30, 1987

TO: Senate Agriculture Committee
FROM: Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department
RE: Possible Interim Study Topics

The following is a list of possible topics for interim study:

1. Noxious Weed Law Review (also includes the issue discussed in H.B. 2593 which would issue certificates to landowners to purchase chemicals at local retail establishments);
2. general review of the fees charged for the programs conducted by the Board of Agriculture;
3. review of the marketing efforts of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture;
4. study the duties and functions of the Grain Inspection Department;
5. review the duties and functions of the Kansas Wheat Commission including its funding;
6. study the possible consolidation of the International Grains Program and the International Meat and Livestock Program; and
7. study the Kansas Corporate Farming Law to determine the impact of permitting more corporate involvement in Kansas agriculture.

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*attachment 1
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