

Approved January 24, 1989
Date

MINUTES OF THE Senate COMMITTEE ON Agriculture

The meeting was called to order by Senator Allen at
Chairperson

10:08 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on January 18, 1989 in room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Harder (excused)

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

Conferees appearing before the committee: Howard Tice, Kansas Association of Wheat Growers
Wilbur Leonard, Committee of Kansas Farm
Organizations
Don Jacka, State Board of Agriculture
Chris Wilson, Kansas Grain and Feed Dealers
Association
Warren Parker, Kansas Farm Bureau

Senator Allen called the committee to order. After introductions the Chairman called for committee action on committee minutes.

Senator Daniels made a motion the minutes of January 11 be approved. Senator Sallee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Chairman called on the following to make requests for introductions of bills:

Howard Tice explained that the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers requests more funding for the Agriculture Value Added Processing Center, the International Grains Program, the International Meat and Livestock Program, some monies for the renovation of the flour milling facility at KSU and funds for an enhanced program of wheat biotechnology at KSU (attachment 1). Mr. Tice explained that the House Agriculture Committee would introduce the legislation; he then asked for committee support when the legislation reaches the Senate Agriculture Committee.

Wilbur Leonard requested legislation that would allow the continuation of the Labor Relations Board which, by action of the legislature last session, is scheduled to be eliminated on June 30, 1989. Mr. Leonard explained that the board members receive no salary but that it is an important board when needed.

The Chairman called for committee action on Mr. Leonard's request. Senator Montgomery made a motion the committee request the introduction of legislation that would continue the Labor Relations Board. Senator Doyen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Don Jacka explained that the House Agriculture Committee had accepted the bill requests of the State Board of Agriculture for introduction in their committee.

Chris Wilson explained that requested legislation would be introduced by the House Agriculture Committee (attachment 2).

Warren Parker stated the legislation that the Kansas Farm Bureau was interested in was being introduced through the House Agriculture Committee. Mr. Parker requested the committee keep an eye on the meat and poultry inspection programs so that they will remain state programs and so they will not become federal inspection programs.

The Chairman adjourned the committee at 10:41 a.m.

Unless specifically noted, the individual remarks recorded herein have not been transcribed verbatim. Individual remarks as reported herein have not been submitted to the individuals appearing before the committee for editing or corrections.

DEFINITIONS

- (a) The term "commercial fertilizer" shall have the same meaning as ascribed to it in K.S.A. 2-1201 and amendments thereto.
- (b) The term "fertilizer materials" shall have the same meaning as ascribed to that term in K.S.A. 2-1201 and amendments thereto.
- (c) The term "bulk fertilizer" means any liquid, blended or dry fertilizer or fertilizer material stored in a fluid or dry non package form.
- (d) The term "facility" means a place where commercial fertilizer materials are stored, mixed, blended, manufactured, weighted or handled.

The secretary is authorized to make and promulgate regulations (a) For the safe handling, storage of commercial fertilizers and fertilizer materials in bulk. (b) For the establishment of minimum general standards covering the design, construction, location, installation and operation for the storage and handling of commercial fertilizer and fertilizer in bulk and either commercial fertilizer and fertilizer materials being introduced into the ground or surface waters of the state; (c) For the establishment of minimum general standards covering the design, construction, location, and installation of a structure constructed for the purpose of confining any spills or discharged fertilizer or fertilizer material within a specified area; (d) For the prompt recovery of fertilizer or fertilizer materials spilled within a specified area.

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attachment 2

APPROVAL OF FACILITY AND EQUIPMENT

Approval: A person beginning construction of or substantially altering an existing facility or equipment used for the manufacture, blending, handling, or bulk storage of commercial fertilizers or fertilizer materials shall obtain the approval of the secretary on forms provided by the secretary

Transfer: The approval shall be transferable from the ownership to whom issued to another ownership provided the new owner notify the Kansas State Board of Agriculture within 30 days after the facility has changed ownership. Approval shall not be transferable from one location to another.

Existing Facilities: The person who operates or owns a facility or equipment used for the manufacture, blending or bulk storage of commercial fertilizer or fertilizer materials established prior to the effective date of this amendment must obtain the secretary's approval of the facility according to the schedule provided in rules and regulations.