

Approved March 3, 1992
Date

MINUTES OF THE Senate COMMITTEE ON Energy and Natural Resources

The meeting was called to order by Senator Ross Doyen at
Chairperson

8:03 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on February 27, 1992 in room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Quorum was present

Committee staff present:

Pat Mah, Legislative Research Department
Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department
Don Hayward, Revisor of Statutes
Lila McClaflin, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

The Chairman called for discussion and/or action on SB 543 - concerning the Kansas pesticide law; relating to the uniform application. Information supporting the passage of SB 543 from Jesse Jackson, member of the Board of Directors, League of Kansas Municipalities (Attachment 1), and testimony from Bob G. Scott, Past President, Kansas Christmas Tree Growers Association (Attachment 2) was distributed. Senator Hayden moved SB 543 be recommended favorably for passage. Senator Sallee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Chair called for action on SB 653. Information from Sid Stevenson, Chair, Professional Certification Board was distributed (Attachment 3).

Senator Hayden moved to amend SB 653, in section "b", line 22, by inserting the language "After July 1, 1992, when a secretary is appointed", and the training or experience, amended to read training and experience (Attachment 4). The motion was seconded by Senator Sallee. The motion carried.

Senator Hayden moved SB 653 as amended be recommended favorably for passage. Senator Sallee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be March 3, 1992.

1991 SENATE ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Date February 27, 1992

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NAME

REPRESENTING

LAURA KELLY	TOPEKA	KS RECREATION & PARK ASSN
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Kristy Weiter	Topeka	KNRC
Don Tammahill	Olathe	PHCAMA

To Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

From: Jesse Jackson Board of Directors
member for the League of Kansas
Municipalities

Re: Senate Bill #543

Dear Sirs:

As a member of the Board of Directors of the League of Kansas Municipalities I would like to express my thoughts toward Senate Bill #543. I strongly feel that this Bill would make it more easier and uniform to implement and that each control company would have a better handle on serving a community. I would hope that you give this legislation the go-ahead signal which would be in the states best interest.

Sincerely
Jesse Jackson

Prairie Pines **Christmas Tree Farm**

4055 N. TYLER ROAD
WICHITA, KANSAS 67205



(316) 722-1145

February 13, 1992

Mr. Ross Doyen
Capital Building - Room 222-S
Topeka, Kansas, 66601

Dear Mr. Doyen

I urge the passage of Senate Bill #543. There is absolutely no way a community with limited expertise and information can make informed and intelligent decisions about restricting pesticides. I support regulation of chemicals - but in a uniform state and federal level where there is adequate research available.

This is analogous to a city council deciding what medications a doctor can prescribe.

Just as that scenario is ludicrous, so is the prospect of a local community restricting pesticide use.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob G. Scott". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Bob G. Scott, Past President
Kansas Christmas Tree Growers Association

BGS/js

February 20, 1992

Honorable Ross Doyan
Statehouse Room 4229
Topeka, KS 66612

Dear Senator Doyan,

Please include the following statement as part of the testimony opposing Senate Bill
653.

Sincerely,



Sid Stevenson
Chair, Professional Certification Board
2612 Snowbird
Manhattan, KS 66502 913-539-4410

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THE PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION BOARD

RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING THE CERTIFICATION PLAN FOR RECREATION, PARK RESOURCES, AND LEISURE SERVICE PROFESSIONALS IN KANSAS

RE: Senate Bill No. 653

The Professional Certification Board (PCB) is a five member panel of certified park and recreation professionals, appointed to administer the *Certification Plan for Recreation, Park Resources, and Leisure Service Professionals in Kansas*. The purposes of this plan are to: establish standards for certification in the recreation, park resources and leisure service profession; to provide recognition of individuals who have qualified; and to afford a guarantee to employers that certified personnel have attained stated education and experience qualifications.

These purposes are aimed at achieving the broader mission of maintaining the highest professional standards; resulting in the finest programs and best quality of public service possible. As a result, only those persons who possess advanced and specialized education, in combination with experience and a commitment to continued personal professional development qualify.

The PCB strongly encourages *all* employers of park and recreation professionals statewide to hire *only* certified professionals. Currently, the PCB lists 220 certified professionals statewide.


The Professional Certification Board *opposes* Senate Bill No. 653 amending the qualifications required by the Secretary of Wildlife and Parks as described in K.S.A. 1991 Supp. 323-801 to read *education, training or experience*.

This change significantly dilutes the statute allowing almost anyone to qualify for the duties of an office where decisions of profound impact and significance relative to Kansas' natural resources, parks and leisure services are regularly made.

Since the Secretary of the KDWP also has significant responsibilities relative to wildlife management, the PCB cannot suggest that the Secretary meet the specific criteria for certification. However, the PCB does support the *current* statute requiring a combination of relevant education, training *and* experience.

Sid Stevenson, Chair 2612 Snowbird, Manhattan, KS (913) 532-6923
Leon Beran, Debra Fry, Gary Lucas, Robert Johnston

SENATE BILL NO. _____

By Senator 

AN ACT concerning wildlife and parks; appointment of secretary; amending K.S.A. 1991 Supp. 32-801 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 1991 Supp. 32-801 is hereby amended to read as follows: 32-801. (a) In order to reorganize the administration, planning and regulation of the state's parks, wildlife and other natural resources, there is hereby established within the executive branch of government the Kansas department of wildlife and parks, which shall be administered under the direction and supervision of a secretary of wildlife and parks who shall be appointed by the governor, with the consent of the senate as provided in K.S.A. 75-4315b and amendments thereto.

(b) After July 1, 1992, when a secretary is appointed, the secretary shall be fully qualified by education, training and experience in wildlife, parks or natural resources, or a related field, and shall have a demonstrated executive and administrative ability to discharge the duties of the office of secretary. The secretary shall serve at the pleasure of the governor. The secretary shall be in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil service act and shall receive an annual salary to be fixed by the governor.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 1991 Supp. 32-801 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.

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