

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Joann Flower at 9:03 a.m. on January 19, 1995, in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

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

Conferees appearing before the committee: Representative Robin Jennison

Others attending: See attached list

Chairperson Flower asked the committee to review the minutes of January 17. If no one has contacted the secretary by 5:00 p.m., they will be considered approved as presented.

The Chair then called for the introduction of bills. Representative Jennison explained his proposed legislation exempting trucks transporting harvested crops from a field to storage from axle weight limitations. He stated that his bill would not affect the maximum gross weight limitations. His concern was with silage harvest in moving the silage to storage, but the same problem exists with grains. He would like this legislation introduced as a committee bill because of its importance to agriculture.

In answer to committee questions, Representative Jennison stated that this bill would include all storage, including grain elevators. He would be agreeable to stating a specific distance from field to storage facility. It was suggested that the legislation should state moving only newly harvested grain from field to storage. The representative stated that there are currently only trip permits available to farmers to overload and sometimes silage trucks make 20 trips a day during harvest. He realized safety and preservation of the quality of the roads were of primary concern. It was the committee's feeling this bill would probably be referred to the transportation committee.

Representative Powers moved to introduce this legislation as a committee bill. It was seconded by Representative Goodwin, motion carried.

The Chair restated that all impromptu meetings following regular committee meetings were open to all interested parties.

The meeting adjourned at 9:21 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for January 24, 1995.

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NAME	REPRESENTING
Tom Bruno	Allen & Assoc.
Diane Gruver	KS Coop Council
Marty Varner	KAA
Alan Holmes	Division of Budget
Kenneth M. Wilke	Ks. Dept. of Agriculture