

Approved: 3-27-95
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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson David Corbin at 10:00 a.m. on March 17, 1995 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

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

Conferees appearing before the committee:

George Teagarden, Animal Health Department, Livestock Commissioner
Mike Beam, Kansas Livestock Association

Others attending: See attached list

SB 310 - concerning animals; relating to animal remedies; creating the animal remedies fee fund; authorizing the livestock commissioner to issue certificates of health; video auctions. The Subcommittees recommendations were distributed in balloon form.. Staff reviewed the fee increases that were proposed, and corrections were made on page 6 and 7 of the balloon.

George Teagarden responding to questions said the fee increases would provide their agency funding through FY 1997.

Mike Beam said the legislation was patterned after Oregon law. Responding to a question, he said no agreement was made on the definitions with the pharmaceutical people. Nancy Zogelman was taking the definitions back to their shop for review. The Committee discussed whether monies for the agencies should be received out of the general fund because consumers as well as producers benefit from the services of the Animal Disease Control Department.

Senator Tillotson moved to adopt the amendments for the fee structure as corrected in the balloon draft. Senator Downey seconded the motion. The motion carried. Senator Downey moved to adopt the pharmaceutical definitions on page 2 and 4 of the bill as requested by Kansas Livestock Association in their testimony of February 21. The motion was seconded by Senator Tillotson. The motion carried. Senator Sallee moved **SB 310** be passed as amended. Senator Wisdom seconded the motion. The motion carried.


Chairperson Corbin opened the discussion on **HB 2255 - concerning confined feeding facilities; relating to permits.** Responding to a question, the Chairperson stated the Department of Health and Environment could deny the permit if they wanted to. One member thought it would be setting a bad precedent if a bill was passed to close the loop hole for a situation in only one county.

Senator Wisdom moved to pass **HB 2255**. Senator Karr seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Some of the concerns voiced were: the situation could resolve itself; since the loop hole was created by legislation, maybe we should pass legislation to take care of it; if the bill was passed to the floor it might encourage the Department of Health and Environment to resolve the issue; the Department of Health and Environment could decide the issue. The question was called for the motion failed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m. Another meeting is not scheduled at this time.

Memorandum

TO: Members of the Senate Agriculture Committee

FROM: Lila McClafin, Secretary of the Committee 

DATE: March 30, 1995

RE: Approval of minutes

Please find attached the minutes of the March 27 meeting. Please contact me if there are any additions or corrections. If I do not hear of changes by 4:00.m., on March 31, they will be considered approved as distributed.

I have enjoyed working with each of you this session. Best wishes for a good interim.