

Approved: 2-12-96
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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 February 8, 1996 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 McClaflin, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending: See attached list

The Chairperson called for discussion on **SB 507 abolishing the agricultural value added center and the leadership council.** Staff reviewed the amendment that was on the table and distributed a balloon copy (Attachment 1).

One of the members said he and another member discussed a proposal that would included some of the extension programs and the funding in the transfer. He did not have the language drafted yet. The Committee time was used discussing various ideas. Some of the ideas were: agriculture should continue to be highlighted; small agriculture businesses should continue to be able to receive assistance with marketing of their products; funding should be available to start new value added businesses ; the Legislature should have some oversight; that the Senate follow the House suggestion to have a yearly report presented to the Agriculture Committees; and finally if KVAC is transferred to the Department of Commerce and Housing that it have visibility.

The Chairperson delayed action on the motion until the next meeting at that time he plans to finish committee discussion and have action on the bill. The meeting adjourned at 10:52.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 12, 1996.

SENATE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE GUEST LIST

DATE: 2-8-96

NAME	REPRESENTING
Gordon LORMOR	KUAC
Deborah Shif	KUAC
RICH BANALS	KTEC
Dan Hermes	oab
Jeff VanFetten	KUMA
Kevin Can	KTEC
DAVID HART	WUNS
Ryan HARTMAN	WUNS
Becky Hein	KSNA / Bethel College
Sunny HERBERT	KSNA / WCCC Mary Grimes High School
Kirk Lowell	Cloud Corp
Doug Jenkinson, DVM	KUMA
Becky Hewitt	KSNA / Southwestern College
Shelley Herford	KSNA / Southwestern College
Randi Hawley	KSNA / Bethel College
Jim JANOUSEK	KDOH - TOPEKA
Sherry Schoonover	Ind. Ag.
Cindy Diehl	KTEC
Jamie Clover Adams	KOFA / KFCA

SENATE BILL No. 507

By Committee on Ways and Means

1-23

9 AN ACT abolishing the agricultural value added center and the leadership
10 council; repealing K.S.A. 1995 Supp. 74-8117, 74-8118, 74-8119, 74-
11 8120 and 74-8121.

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

14 Section 1. (a) The agricultural value added center established by
15 K.S.A. 1995 Supp. 74-8117 and the agricultural value added processing
16 center leadership council created by K.S.A. 1995 Supp. 74-8118 are
17 hereby abolished.

18 ~~(b)~~ All property of the agricultural value added center is hereby trans-
19 ferred to the Kansas state university of agriculture and applied science.

20 ~~(c) All powers, duties and functions related to the technical assistance~~
21 ~~component of the program of the agricultural value added center are~~
22 ~~hereby transferred to the secretary of commerce and housing.]~~

23 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 1995 Supp. 74-8117, 74-8118, 74-8119, 74-8120 and
24 74-8121 are hereby repealed.

25 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
26 publication in the statute book.

(b) (1) There is hereby established within and as a part of the
department of commerce and housing the agricultural promotions
division. Subject to and in accordance with appropriations acts, the
agricultural promotions division shall include: (A) All powers, duties
and functions related to the technical assistance component of the
program of the agricultural value added center; (B) all powers, duties
and functions related to the industrial agriculture component of the
program of the agricultural value added center; (C) all powers, duties
and functions related to the food and feeding stuffs component of the
program of the agricultural value added center; and (D) all powers,
duties and functions related to the division of marketing of the
department of agriculture.

(2) (A) There is hereby created an agricultural promotions
advisory board. Members shall be appointed by the governor as
follows, one member shall be a representative of the Kansas rural
center, one member shall be a representative from Kansas state
university, one member shall be a county economic development
director, and two members shall be representatives of the agri-
business community.

(B) Of the members first appointed to the board, the governor
shall designate two whose terms shall expire June 30, 1998 and three
whose terms shall expire on June 30, 2000. After the expiration of
such terms, each member shall be appointed for a term of four years
until a successor is appointed and qualified.

(C) A vacancy on the board of a member shall be filled for the
unexpired term by appointment by the governor.

(D) The governor shall appoint a chairperson.

(E) The board shall meet as the chairperson or a majority of the
board members determine.

(F) The board shall advise the secretary of commerce and
housing on issues and concerns of agricultural promotions.

(c)

*Senate Ag. Co.
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Attachment 1*