

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Joann Flower at 9:00 a.m. on February 24, 1998, in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

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

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending: See attached list

Chairperson Flower asked committee members to review the minutes of February 17, 18, 19, and 20. If there were corrections or additions, members were asked to contact the committee secretary before 5:00 p.m. or they will stand approved as presented.

Chairperson Flower welcomed Representative Melvin Neufeld to the House Agriculture Committee. Representative Neufeld has been appointed to replace Representative Steve Lloyd on the committee.

Final action on HB 2930 - Corporate farming, restrictions, exceptions and procedures relating to swine facilities

Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department, reviewed the amendments and changes to the corporate farming law proposed in **HB 2930**. In response to a question at the hearing on the bill, he said that contracting would still be allowed under this bill as production contracts are not construed to be an acquisition or attainment of agricultural land in Kansas. He said that this bill does not address the issue of subsequent elections in counties where there has been a negative vote on swine production facilities.

Representative Neufeld moved to recommend **HB 2930** favorably for passage. The motion was seconded by Representative Freeborn.

Representative Ballou offered a substitute motion to recommend **HB 2930** be reported adversely. Seconded by Representative Dahl, the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m. The next meeting has not been scheduled at this time.

