

Approved: 2/28/07
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Taddiken at 8:30 a.m. on February 21, 2007 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research
Art Griggs, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Judy Seitz, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Gavin Young, Director of Public Affairs, Department of Administration,

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairman Taddiken welcomed the Kansas Grain and Feed Association Leadership Class to the meeting. Each visitor gave their name and town.

The chairman noted minutes for February 13 and 14 were distributed and will be acted upon later in the meeting.

Discussion was begun on **SB 262 - Motor vehicles purchases by state agencies; E85 fuels.**

Chairman Taddiken said that copies of **SB 262** with amendments have been distributed (Attachment 1). The Committee also received copies of the Fiscal Note on the bill.

Senator Schmidt moved to add a section regarding the leasing of vehicles in a different paragraph added to paragraph (b) whenever any state agency leases a motor vehicle, the state agency shall lease a motor vehicle which utilizes E85 fuels unless no suitable model utilizes the E85 is available for lease. Senator Ostmeyer seconded the motion.

Discussion on the motion was held.

Gavin Young, Director of Public Affairs, Department of Administration, answered questions from the Committee.

Motion passed.

Chairman Taddiken moved the deletion of "this" in front of subsection in paragraph (b) and the addition of (a) after subsection. Seconded by Senator Huelskamp. Motion carried.

Senator Huelskamp made a motion to give agency's flexibility in regard to paying more than \$250 extra for a flex-fuel vehicle (FFV) if the extra money is in their budget. Motion seconded by Senator Pine. Motion carried.

Senator Lee moved the passage of SB 262 out favorably as amended. Seconded by Senator Schmidt. Motion passed.

Senator Schmidt moved the approval of the minutes of the February 13 and 14 meeting. Seconded by Senator Huelskamp. Motion passed.

Senator Schmidt said that on Tuesday, February 27 the Senate will meet at 8:30 a.m. in order to accommodate those who are going on the Bioscience Tour.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

SENATE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE GUEST LIST

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NAME	REPRESENTING
Mary Jane Starkiewicz	KGFA/ KARA
James Jirak	KGFA/ KARA
Robin Pitman	KGFA/ KARA
Branden Schlake	KGFA
Jim Lee	KGFA
Lori Deyoe	KGFA
Norm Hancock	KARA
Jeff Lavery	KGFA
Erik Lange	KARA
Andy Zweggardt	KGFA/ KARA
Fred Seiler	KARA
Duane Simpson	KGFA/ KARA
Jere White	KCGA KGSB
Carole Jordan	KDA
Jesse Remo	KDOT
Ken Gudenkauf	KDOT
Ben Reynolds	
Jacob Reynolds	
Brianna Landon	

Mike Beam

Ks. Livestock Assn

Senate Agriculture
Committee
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Attachment 1

SENATE BILL No. 262

By Committee on Agriculture

9 AN ACT relating to motor vehicle purchases by state agencies.

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

12 Section 1. (a) Whenever any state agency purchases a motor vehicle,
13 the state agency shall purchase a motor vehicle which utilizes E85 fuels
14 unless: (1) The manufacturer of the vehicle model to be purchased does
15 not offer such vehicle model with an engine that utilizes E85 fuels; or (2)
16 the cost of the vehicle is \$250 or more than the cost of such a vehicle
17 model that does not utilize E85 fuels.

18 ~~(b)~~ As used in this section, "E85 fuels" shall have the meaning as-
19 scribed thereto in K.S.A. 79-3401, and amendments thereto.

20 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
21 publication in the statute book.

(b) The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to the following: (1) The purchase of diesel fueled vehicles; (2) vehicles purchased in conformity with federal requirements; or (3) vehicles purchased for the Kansas highway patrol.

(c)

(d) With the approval of the head of the purchasing state agency, a state agency may purchase a motor vehicle which utilizes E85 fuels even though the cost is \$250 or more than the cost of such a vehicle that does not utilize E85 fuels.