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MINUTES OF THE SENATE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Taddiken at 8:30 a.m. on January 31, 2012, in Room 159-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Senator Terry Bruce- excused
Ralph Ostmeyer – excused

Committee staff present:
David Wiese, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Jason Thompson, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Heather O'Hara, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Abigail Boudewyns, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Judy Seitz, Committee Assistant

Others attending:
See attached list.

Chairman Taddiken welcomed members of the Kansas Farm Bureau to the meeting.

Introduction of Bills

Senator Schmidt moved the introduction of a bill concerning grape growing and wine production. Senator Teichman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Taddiken noted that the Committee has minutes for January 10 and 11 and will be acted on later in the meeting.

Discussion was opened on **SB 272–Water rights; multi-year flex accounts; application for division of water right; fee**. David Barfield, Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) discussed the second proposed amendment (Attachment 1). He said that those currently enrolled in a drought emergency term permit, who enroll in a multi-year flex account (MYFA), their MYFA would NOT be reduced by the 2011 overuse. He also said that Wichita should be in no danger of losing ARS credits.

Senator Morris made a motion to add the following on page 3, line 35 (E) after the word “subsection” “except when the base water right is suspended due to the issuance of a two-year term permit in a designated drought emergency area for 2011 and 2012”. Motion was seconded by Senator Teichman. Motion carried to adopt the amendment.

Senator Teichman moved that SB 272 be passed as amended; motion seconded by Senator Abrams. Motion carried.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE Senate Agriculture Committee at 8:30 a.m. on January 31, 2012 in Room 159-S of the Capitol.

Senator Teichman moved the approval of the minutes for January 10 and 11; seconded by Senator Abrams. Motion carried.

Dr. Hanson, DVM, Executive Director, Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners, explained the proposed amendments to **SB 289 – Amending the veterinary practice act.** (Attachment 2) Senator Abrams made a motion to adopt the proposed amendment, on page 2, line 16 to add “compliance with the” between “and” and “standards” and page 4, line 14, add “compliance with the” between “and” and “standards” and page 4, line 34 to strike “conviction” and add “criminal prosecution. Motion seconded by Senator Schmidt.

There was discussion on the motion.

Senator King made a substitute motion to also insert “plea agreement or a”, page 4, line 33, strike the word “conviction” on line 34 and add “further criminal proceedings on a complaint alleging a violation” on page 4, line 33 and 34. Motion seconded by Senator Francisco. Motion carried.

Senator Francisco made a motion (Attachment 3) to add the words “Compliance with the,” between “and” and “standards” on page 1, line 16 and on page 4, line 14, seconded by Senator King. Motion carried.

David Wiese, Office of the Revisor of Statutes, reviewed technical amendments.

Senator Abrams made a motion to add the word “consistent” between “state’ and “with” , page 2, line 26 and add “controlled” page 5, line 16 between “regarding” and “substances.” Motion seconded by Senator Schmidt. Motion carried.

Senator Abrams made a motion to pass **SB 289** as amended. Motion was seconded by Senator Love. Motion carried. (Attachment 4)

The next meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2012. The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 a.m.