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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 February 14, 2012, in Room 159-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Senator Steve Morris- 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 opened the discussion on **SB 148 –Amending the veterinarian-client privilege.** David Wiese, Office of the Revisor of Statutes, reviewed the technical changes to be made in the proposed substitute for **SB 148.** (Attachment 1)

Senator Teichman made a motion to accept the proposed substitute for SB 148. Motion seconded by Senator Schmidt. Motion carried

Senator Teichman made a motion to remove the language from the existing SB 148; inserting the proposed substitute SB 148 into the bill; seconded by Senator Francisco. Motion carried.

Senator Ostmeyer moved that the Substitute SB 148, as amended, be passed; seconded by Senator Teichman. Motion carried.

Discussion was opened on **HB 2451 – Eliminating “use it or lose it” for groundwater rights in areas closed to new water right development**

Lane Letourneau, Program Manager, Water Appropriations Program, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA), answered questions from the Committee.

Senator Ostmeyer made a motion to pass HB 2451 out favorably; seconded by Senator Francisco. Motion carried.

Senator Abrams noted that his name is misspelled in the January 17 minutes. Senator Teichman made a motion to approve the corrected minutes of January 17 and January 18. Senator Abrams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2012. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

