

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve Morris at 10:00 a.m. on February 17, 2000, in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present:       Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department  
  Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes  
  Nancy Kippes, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:       (See Attached)

A handout was distributed from Kansas Livestock Association expressing their serious concerns with **SB 494** (Attachment 1).

Discussion on:

**SB 534 - establishing a center of excellence on sustainable agriculture and alternative crops at Kansas State University**

Senator Umbarger made a motion on page 1 to strike lines 37 thru 39 and insert language allowing officials at Kansas State University to appoint a coordinator for the Center of Excellence and fund operating expenses of such coordinator, subject to appropriations. Senator Downey seconded. The motion carried.

Senator Clark made a motion to pass favorably as amended **SB 534**. Senator Umbarger seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion on:

**SB 494 - concerning livestock, enacting the competitive livestock markets act; prohibiting certain acts and prescribing certain penalties**

Senator Clark made a motion to amend **SB 494** as proposed in the balloon (Attachment 2). Senator Biggs seconded. The motion carried.

Senator Huelskamp made a motion to amend subsections 2 and 3 in the same manner as subsection 1. Senator Tyson seconded. The motion carried.

Senator Umbarger made a motion to pass favorably as amended **SB 494**.

Senator Stephens made a substitute motion to table **SB 494**. Senator Umbarger seconded. The motion failed.

Senator Clark made a substitute motion to table **SB 494** until Monday, February 21, 2000. Senator Biggs seconded. The motion carried.

Discussion on:

**SB 565 - concerning agriculture; enacting the Kansas agricultural production contract fair practices act; prescribing penalties for violations thereof.**

CONTINUATION SHEET

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10:00 a.m., on February 17, 2000.

Senator Clark provided information on proposed amendments to **SB 565** (Attachment 3).

Senator Umbarger made a motion to table **SB 565**. Senator Stephens seconded. The motion carried.

Discussion on:

**SB 532** - concerning livestock; relating to electronic auctions

Senator Biggs made a motion to pass favorably **SB 532**. Senator Stephens seconded. Senator Biggs withdrew his motion and Senator Stephens concurred.

Senator Huelskamp made a motion to amend **SB 532** to lower the per head fee from \$.15 to \$.10 and include a per head fee on livestock sold outside of public livestock markets or electronic livestock auctions per balloon (Attachment 4). Senator Biggs seconded.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be February 18, 2000.