

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Joann Freeborn at 3:30 P.M. on January 19, 2006 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Rob Olson- excused

Committee staff present:

Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department

Lisa Montgomery, Revisor of Statutes Office

Pam Shaffer, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Representative Tom Sloan, Representative, District 45 Lawrence

Woody Moses, Managing Director, Kansas Aggregate Producers Association

Stanley Rasmussen, Regional Counsel, Department of the Army, Central Regional Environmental Office

Terry Holdren, Local Policy Director, Kansas Farm Bureau Governmental Relations

Bren Haden, Assistant Counsel, Kansas Livestock Association

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairperson Freeborn requested all guests sign the guest list. She announced that the agenda for Tuesday, January 24 had been incorrectly posted and that there would be bill requests and that Rod Bremby, Secretary Kansas Department of Health and Environment would give an agency briefing. The agenda for next Thursday, January 26, committee will possibly work **HB2558 - An act concerning Conservation and environmental protection or encroachment restriction districts** depending on what testimony brings forth today.

Chairperson Freeborn opened the hearing for **HB 2558** and asked Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department, to do a review of the bill. Raney gave a brief review of the bill. Raney did remind the Committee members that last year there was a similar bill, ***HB2019 - Encroachment restriction districts*** it did not make it out of the Governmental Organization/Elections Committee. Questions and discussion followed the review.

Chairperson Freeborn introduced the first proponent to testify, Representative Tom Sloan, District 45, questions to be held until the end of all testimony. Representative Sloan thanked Chairperson Freeborn. (See attachment 1) is a written copy of Representative Sloan's testimony.

Chairperson Freeborn introduced Woody Moses, Managing Director of Kansas Agrgegate Producers Association, proponent. Mr. Moses thanked Chairperson Freeborn. (See attachment 2) is a written copy of Mr. Moses' testimony.

Chairperson Freeborn introduced Stanley Rasmussen, Regional Counsel, Department of the Army, Central Regional Environmental Office, proponent. Mr. Rasmussen thanked Chairperson Freeborn, (See attachment 3) is a written copy of Mr. Rasmussen's testimony.

Chairperson Freeborn introduced Terry Holdren, Local Policy Director, Kansas Farm Bureau Governmental Relations, opponent. Mr. Holdren thanked Chairperson Freeborn, (See attachment 4) is a written copy of Mr. Holdren's testimony. Mr. Holdren requested consideration of 4 amendments which will limit the scope of the bill to our military instillations and provide protection to farm and ranch owners as they employ normally accepted agricultural practices on their property. If these amendments were adopted, Kansas Farm Bureau would not be an opponent of the bill.

## CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE House Environment Committee at 3:30 P.M. on January 19, 2006 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

Chairperson Freeborn introduced Brent Haden, Assistant Counsel, Kansas Livestock Association, opponent. Mr. Haden thanked Chairperson Freeborn, (See attachment 5) is a written copy of Mr. Haden's testimony. Mr. Haden requested consideration of the same 4 amendments as Mr. Holdren, Kansas Farm Bureau, and if these amendments are adopted would not be an opponent of the bill.

Discussions and questions followed the testimony.

Chairperson Freeborn closed the hearing.

Chairperson Freeborn announced that **HB 2558** will possibly be worked next Thursday, January 26, 2005.

Chairperson Freeborn adjourned the meeting at 4:34. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 24.