

MINUTES OF THE SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ralph Ostmeyer at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, February 17, 2012, in Room 159-S of the Capitol.

All members were present, except:
Senator Garret Love, excused

Committee staff present:
Tamera Lawrence, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Abigail Boudewyns, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Heather O'Hara, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Stephanie Gray, Committee Assistant

Others attending:
See attached list.

Conferees:
Paul White, Marion, Kansas
Jim Snyder, Silverhaired Legislature
Janice DeBoer, Ks Area Agencies on Aging (K4A)
Robin Jennison, Kansas Dept. Wildlife, Parks & Tourism

Chairman Ostmeyer indicated the committee minutes for January 19 and January 26 had been distributed for review. Senator Teichman moved to approve the Minutes for January 19 & 26, Senator Abrams seconded. Motion carried.

Chairman Ostmeyer opened the meeting for action on **SB375-concerning solid waste; relating to permit exemptions**. Tamera Lawrence, assistant revisor, prepared a proposed balloon handout that showed the changes that the committee adopted last Friday and yesterday. (Attachment 1)

Discussion from the Committee followed.

Senator McGinn prepared an amendment (Attachment 2) stating “or on any area where chloride levels exceed 500mpl. Discussion followed and questions were answered by Bill Bider & Gary Blackburn. He recommended “documented” as proper language. Discussion followed.

Senator McGinn made a motion to add the proposed balloon amendments and “or on any area where documented chloride levels exceed 500mpl” to page 2, line 42 on SB375, Senator Teichman seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion followed.

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Senator Francisco made a motion to add an amendment on page 3, line 3 “with the regulation of land spreading” to **SB375**, Senator Taddiken seconded. Motion carried.

Senator Teichman made the motion to pass **SB375** out favorably as amended, Senator Francisco seconded. Motion carried.

Chairman Ostmeyer opened the hearing on **SB406-Kansas Storage Tank Act**. Tamera Lawrence, revisor, gave an update on the proposed balloon information suggested yesterday. (Attachment 3)

Senator Abrams moved to approve the proposed balloon amendments for **SB406**, Senator Teichman seconded. Motion carried.

Senator Bruce moved to amend the due date on page 1, line 26-27 in **SB406**; Senator Francisco seconded. Motion carried.

Senator Francisco made a motion that **SB406** be passed out favorably as amended; Senator Teichman seconded. Motion carried.

The hearing for **SB271- concerning ownership of pore space** was re-opened. Tamera Lawrence, assistant revisor, reviewed background from the previous meeting and referred to Professor David Pierce's responses to the Committee that were delivered to each senator. The revisor answered questions from the Committee. She referred to a proposed balloon amendment based on Professor Pierce's suggestions. (Attachment 4) Discussion followed.

Senator Francisco made a motion to adopt the proposed balloon amendments for **SB271**, Senator Teichman seconded. Motion carried.

Chairman Ostmeyer will have **SB271** “blessed” to discuss more thoroughly later.

The hearing was opened for **SB314-eliminating the fishing & hunting license exemptions for person 65 years of age or older**. Tamera Lawrence gave an explanation of the bill. Due to time constraints, opponents were given a chance to testify first.

Paul White from Marion, Kansas, opposes the **SB314** because many users do not presently pay fees. This bill proposes a hardship of a large number of retirees. (Attachment 5)

Jim Snyder, Silverhaired Legislature, opposes the **SB314** because he felt it punishes older people. (Attachment 6)

Janice DeBoer, KAAAA, opposes the **SB314** because it targets the baby boomer group and hits those on fixed incomes the most. (Attachment 7)

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Written testimony was passed out in opposition of **SB314** by: Patricia Stoneking, President, Kansas Rifle Association (Attachment 8); Joe Gresier, Yates Center (Attachment 9); and Ron and Navella Richey, Topeka, Kansas. (Attachment 10)

Robin Jennison, KDWPT, was a proponent of **SB314** because lots of people benefit from the federal funds that are affected by the state funds. He discussed how federal funds would be assessed. (Attachment 11)

Chairman Ostmeyer concluded the hearing today because of time constraints. He will ask that **SB314** be “blessed”.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.