

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Larry Powell at 3:30 p.m. on March 12, 2009, in Room 783 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Mike Corrigan, Office of the Revisor of Statutes  
Corey Carnahan, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Pat Matzek, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

None

Others attending:

See attached list.

Representative Powell opened the meeting with distribution of Talking Points (Attachment 1) on **HB 2272** from the Department of Agriculture.

**Action on:**

**SB 64 - Water appropriation act amendments.**

A balloon amendment (Attachment 2) by Representative Powell on **SB 64** was distributed to members of the Committee. Representative Powell requested an explanation of the bill by Mike Corrigan, Office of the Revisor of Statutes, who stated that it would require the Chief Engineer of the Division of Water Resources to cooperate and coordinate with the board or boards of county commissioners, or their designees in advance of designating an intensive groundwater use control area and commencing the required proceedings.

Representative Moxley moved to adopt the balloon amendment. Representative Fund seconded the motion. As there was no clear determination of the voice vote, a division was called and by show of hands, the motion failed (10 to 8).

A discussion ensued by members of the Committee.

Representative Johnson made a motion to table the bill. Representative Lukert seconded the motion. By majority vote, the motion failed.

Back on **SB 64**.

Representative Moxley presented a balloon amendment (Attachment 3) to members of the Committee, which applies to Section (4) (g), inserting the phrase “sworn statement or” in front of the word “evidence”. Representative Moxley moved to amend SB 64. Representative Fund seconded the motion. By majority vote of the Committee, the motion was carried.

The discussion by Committee members continued.

Representative Svaty moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. Representative Navinsky seconded the motion. By majority vote of the Committee, the motion was carried.

Representative Johnson voted nay.

CONTINUATION SHEET

Minutes of the House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee at 3:30 p.m. on March 12, 2009, in Room 783 of the Docking State Office Building.

**Action on:**

**HB 2295 - Milk and dairy product labeling requirements.**

Mike Corrigan, Office of the Revisor of Statutes explained the bill, stating in part, that milk, milk products and dairy products shall be deemed misbranded, as defined in K.S.A. 65-771, and amendments thereto, if the labels on the containers in which the products are sold or offered for sale contain any false or misleading statements as specified in this section.

A discussion ensued by members of the Committee.

Representative Svaty moved to amend the bill under Section (2), line 32, by striking the word “immediately”, and on line 33 striking the word “exactly” and inserting the word “similar”. Representative Moxley seconded the motion. By majority vote of the Committee, the motion was carried.

Representative Svaty moved to amend the bill under Section (2), line 42, by striking “shall be deemed false and misleading. Such statements” to read “and “BST Free” shall not be permitted.” Representative Hineman seconded the motion. By majority vote of the Committee, the motion was carried.

Representative Fund moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. Representative Kerschen seconded the motion. By majority vote of the Committee, the motion was carried.

Representative Kerschen will carry the bill.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.