

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Larry Powell at 9:00 a.m. on February 9, 2012, in Room 783 in the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:

Representative Michael Peterson (Unexcused)

Committee Staff Present:

Randy Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Sean Ostrow, Office of the Revisor of Statutes

Chris Sevedge, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Linda Reed, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Dirk Hanson, DVM, Ex. Director, Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners (Proponent)

Gary Reser, KVMA Executive Vice President (Proponent)

Others attending:

Chairman Powell welcomed the committee and announced the first order of business is to take up **SB289 amending veterinary practice act.**

Raney Gilliland of the Legislative Research Department provided an explanation and overview **SB289**. The bill would make amendments to the veterinary practice act, which is the act that regulates the practice of veterinary medicine in Kansas and provides compliance by veterinarians throughout the state. Mr. Gilliland full reviewed the amended language in the bill.

Dirk Hanson, DVM, Executive Director of the Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners testified in support of **SB289**. Dr. Hanson testified the passage of **SB289** would better enable the agency to fulfill its legislatively mandated mission of promoting public health, safety, and welfare relative to the practice of veterinary medicine in Kansas. (Attachment 1)

Gary Reser, Executive Vice President of the Kansas Veterinary Medical Association (KVMA), testified in support of **SB289**. Mr. Reser testified the amendments to the Kansas Veterinary Act found in **SB289** are the result of housekeeping, updating, and practicality demands. The KVMA

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has found over the years that the Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners have always been cautious and judicious in seeking Kansas Veterinary Practice Act modifications. (Attachment 2)

There being no further testimony on **SB289**, Chairman Powell closed the hearings.

Sean Ostrow of the Revisor of Statutes Office provided an overview of **SB272**.
*Representative Moxley offered a motion to approve **SB272**. Representative Brookens seconded the motion. When called to a vote the motion carried unanimously.*

Raney Gilliland of the Legislative Research Department provided an overview of **HB2516** and provided a balloon amendment to the Committee.

Representative Grant offered a motion to approve the adoption of the new language in the balloon amendment. Representative Wetta seconded the motion. When called to a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

*Representative Moxley offered a motion to pass **HB2516** as amended. Representative Brookens seconded the motion.*

Following questions and discussion, Representative Brookens moved to strike the language on page 2, line 39, to strike the language “be permanently extended” and to insert appropriate language to say lapse or stay as balloon would propose on line 3, page 4. Representative Moxley seconded the motion. When called to a vote the motion carried unanimously.

Representative Tyson offered a motion to amend the language in the bill, strike the word permanent, on page 4, and line 13. Representative Arpke seconded the motion. When called to a vote the motion carried unanimously.

*Representative Moxley moved to pass **HB2516** out of Committee as amended. Representative Brookens seconded the motion. When called to a vote, the motion carried unanimously.*

Sean Ostrow of the Revisor of Statutes office presented an overview of **HB2517** and presented a balloon amendment.

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Representative Brookens offered a motion to adopt the balloon amendment. Representative Prescott seconded the motion. When called to a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Representative Brookens offered a motion to favorably pass **HB2517** with the balloon amendment. Representative Prescott seconded the motion. When called to a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

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