

MINUTES OF THE SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Tyson at 8:32 a.m. on January 25, 2002 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Christine Downey - excused  
Senator Dwayne Umbarger - excused  
Senator Janis Lee - excused  
Senator Tim Huelskamp - excused

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department  
Lisa Montgomery, Office of Revisor of Statutes  
Deborah McIntire, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Mary Jane Stattelman, Administrator of the Kansas Agricultural  
Remediation Board  
Linda Peterson, Chair, Kansas Agricultural Remediation Board  
Dr. Ron Hammerschmidt, Director, Division of Environment, KDHE

Others attending: See attached list

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Chairman Tyson appointed a subcommittee consisting of Chairman Tyson, Senator Taddiken, and Senator Lee to discuss **HB 2471**.

The first conferee to appear before the committee was Mary Jane Stattelman (Administrator of the Kansas Agricultural Remediation Board) who provided opening remarks and brief introductions of board members in attendance; Laura Pearl and Rick Bean, Remediation Section Chief, KDHE. She stated that Linda Peterson, Chair, Kansas Agricultural Remediation Board, would start the morning by giving an overview presentation of the board and its functions.

Linda Peterson provided testimony as to the inception of the Kansas Agricultural Remediation Board, its members, the Kansas Agricultural Remediation Fund, 2001 legislative changes to the Remediation Act, meetings, rule and regulation progress, and applications (Attachment 1). Discussion and questions followed.

The second conferee to appear was Dr. Ron Hammerschmidt, Director, Division of Environment, KDHE. He briefed the committee on the Hutchinson gas incident of 2001, one year after (Attachment 2). Discussion and questions followed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 31 at 8:30 a.m.