

MINUTES OF THE SENATE AGRICULTURE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Taddiken at 8:30 A.M. on January 19, 2005 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

Committee members absent: Steve Morris- excused

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research
Amy VanHouse, Kansas Legislative Research
Lisa Montgomery, Office of Revisor of Statues
Jacqui Jones, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the Committee: Mary Jane Stankiewicz

Others attending:

Chairman Taddiken opened the meeting.

A list of written and oral reports required by statute, which would be come before the Committee during the 2005 Session, was passed out to Committee members and interested parties.

Chairman Taddiken asked for bill introductions.

Constantine Cotsoradis, Assistant Secretary of the Department of Agriculture (DOA) requested that a bill be introduced to amend K.S.A.2-2805 and 2806, the Soil Amendment Law. Assistant Secretary Cotsoradis then stood for questions. Senator Pine moved and Senator Huelskamp seconded the motion that the bill be introduced. The motion passed unanimously.

Assistant Secretary Cotsoradis requested that a bill be introduced to allow the DOA to maintain membership in the Interstate Pest Control Compact by adopting its model enabling legislation to remedy a technical error regarding Kansas' membership in the Compact thus allowing Kansas to receive benefits of controlling plant pests. Senator Francisco moved and Senator Lee seconded that the bill be introduced. The motion passed. (See attachment 1)

Chairman Taddiken presented a conceptual bill to remove mandatory labeling requirements for ethanol as a motor vehicle fuel. Senator Pine moved and Senator Francisco seconded that the bill be introduced. Motion passed.

Chairman Taddiken then opened the hearing on **SB-16**. Chairman Taddiken requested Raney Gilliland, Office of Legislative Research, to give a brief overview of the bill and the fiscal note thereof before turning the podium over to Mary Jane Stankiewicz, Administrator of the Kansas Agriculture Remediation Board who gave testimony as a proponent for **SB-16**.

Ms. Stankeiwicz gave a brief outline of the makeup of the Board staff and attached a list of Board members. (See attachment 2). She explained how the budget of the Board is developed.

The hearing on **SB-16** was closed.

Senator Huelskamp moved, seconded by Senator Pine that **SB-16** be passed. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. At 9:20 p.m. The next meeting was scheduled for January 25, 2005.

CONTINUATION SHEET

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