

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Larry Powell at 8:30 a.m. on January 12, 2012, in Room 783 in the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:

- Representative Grant (Excused)
- Representative Hildabrand (Excused)
- Representative Michael Peterson (Unexcused)
- Representative Weber (Excused)

Committee Staff Present:

- Sean Ostrow, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
- Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department
- Christopher Sevedge, Kansas Legislative Research Department
- Joyce Hladky, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

- Chris Kobach, Secretary of State

Others attending:

Chairman Powell welcomed the committee. Committee members and staff were introduced.

Chairman Powell opened the floor for bill introduction requests.

Chairman Powell advised the Committee that Tuesday, January 17, 2012. There will not be a regular meeting of the Committee, but there may be a special meeting on some issues just an informational meeting with some other committees to be called at 10:00 a.m. He asked everyone to keep an eye on their calendar and to watch their email.

He thanked everyone for their attendance today.

Representative Powell opened the floor for bill introductions:

Chris Kobach, Secretary of State, requested the following bill introduction.

Unless specifically noted, the individual remarks recorded herein have not been transcribed verbatim. Individual remarks as reported herein have not been submitted to the individuals appearing before the committee for editing or corrections.

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January 12, in 783-DSOB

A small statute to fill a gap in Kansas law. The Governor, by proclamation, may direct the Secretary of Wildlife and Parks and Tourism to issue no more than twelve big-game special permits each year. Such permits shall be issued to any person or entities named by the Governor subject to any provisions and restrictions as described by the proclamation. Except as provided by the Governor's proclamation, such permits shall allow the holder to tag one white tail or mule deer antlered or antlerless and shall be valid statewide in the season provided and for that season's use.

There being no objection, this request will be introduced as a committee bill.

Chris Wilson of the Department of Agriculture. The bill introduction deals with advisory boards, one if Grape Advisory Council, Dairy Advisory Council and Ag Market Advisory Board would like to request some small changes in statutes in responsibility of their duties of membership. No fiscal note, but one bill to address all three changes in duties.

There being no objection, this request will be introduced as a committee bill.

Chairman Powell turned everyone's attention to the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program Performance Report at their places which is an information booklet for their use.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m. The next meeting of the House Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee is scheduled for January 18, 2012.