Approved: <u>3-8-00</u>

Date

## MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve Morris at 10:00 a.m. on March 7, 2000, in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Donald Biggs (E)

Senator Tim Huelskamp (E)

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department

Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes Nancy Kippes, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Debra Duncan, Director, Animal Facilities Inspection Program, Animal Health Department

Others attending: (See Attached)

Senator Corbin made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2000 meeting as submitted. Senator Umbarger seconded. The motion carried.

Hearing on: HB 2817 - concerning animals; relating to the disposition of animals from an animal shelter; relating to spaying or neutering

Debra Duncan, Director, Animal Facilities Inspection Program, Animal Health Department, testified in support of <u>HB 2817</u>, stating that this was primarily a technical amendment to current law which requires all animals adopted from pounds and shelters to be spayed or neutered (<u>Attachment 1</u>).

Senator Corbin made a motion to pass favorably HB 2817. Senator Umbarger seconded. The motion carried.

The next meeting will be March 8, 2000.