

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve Morris at 10:00 a.m. on March 14, 2000, in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department
 Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes
 Nancy Kippes, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending: (See Attached)

Senator Corbin made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2000 meeting as submitted. Senator Stephens seconded. The motion carried.

Discussion on:

HB 2674 - structure of grain commodity commissions

Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes, reviewed the balloon she prepared which reflected the amendments on **HB 2674** approved at a previous meeting and also the new amendments discussed at a previous meeting (Attachment 1).

Senator Umbarger made a motion to amend **HB 2674** to add wording that a voter must have been involved in the growing of crops at least one of the past three years. Senator Clark seconded. The motion carried.

Senator Umbarger made a motion to pass favorably as amended **HB 2674**. Senator Huelskamp seconded. The motion carried.

Discussion on:

HB 2527 - concerning state moneys; providing for agricultural production loans

Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes, reviewed the balloon she had prepared which reflected the amendments on **HB 2527** which the committee has accepted, including the new sections (Attachment 2).

Senator Corbin made a motion to add wording to **HB 2527** to reset the interest rate annually on the first business day of the year. Senator Clark seconded. The motion carried.

Senator Huelskamp made a motion to pass favorably as amended **HB 2527**. Senator Tyson seconded. The motion carried.

The next meeting is March 15, 2000.