

Approved: 2-22-00
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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve Morris at 10:00 a.m. on February 21, 2000, in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Christine Downey (E)

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)

Discussion on: **SB 572 - an act enacting the land stewardship by management and control of noxious weeds act**

Staff gave a review of the current law as compared to the changes that would be made in **SB 572**.

Senator Umbarger made a motion to amend SB 572 by replacing the entire bill with a requirement that every county establish an incentive program for the purchase of chemicals from chemical dealers for treating noxious weeds (Attachment 1). Senator Tyson seconded. The motion failed.

Discussion and action on: **SB 531 - concerning eggs**

Senator Biggs made a motion to recommend favorably for passage SB 531. Senator Corbin seconded. The motion carried.

Discussion and action on: **SB 533 - concerning livestock; relating to brand inspection areas; fees**

Senator Corbin made a motion to pass favorably for passage SB 533. Senator Tyson seconded. The motion carried.

The next meeting will be February 22, 2000.