Approved: March 19, 2020

MINUTES OF THE SENATE AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dan Kerschen at 8:30 am on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, in room 159-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Carolyn McGinn - Excused

Committee staff present:

Jessa Farmer, Legislative Research Department Judy Marks, Committee Assistant Tamera Lawrence, Office of Revisor of Statutes Victoria Potts, Legislative Research Department

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

No conferees present

Others in attendance:

See Attached List

<u>Final action on: HB2432 — Creating the Kansas pesticide waste disposal program and allowing up to \$50,000 to be transferred annually from the Kansas agricultural remediation fund to a new Kansas pesticide waste disposal fund.</u>

Chairperson Kerschen called for final action on **HB2432**.

Tamera Lawrence of the Revisor of Statutes Office explained the bill. This bill as amended by the House would establish a pesticide waste disposal program and would allow up to \$50,000 be transferred annually from the Kansas Agricultural Remediation Fund to Kansas Pesticide and Disposal Fund.

<u>Senator Estes moved and Senator Berger seconded to recommend **HB2432** favorably for passage. <u>Motion carried.</u></u>

<u>Final action on: HB2464 — Updating egg repacking requirements for retailers.</u> Chairperson Kerschen called for final action on <u>HB2464.</u>

Tamera Lawrence of the Revisor of Statutes Office explained the bill. It amends K. S. A. 2-2510 concerning Kansas Egg Law and the requirements for repacking eggs.

CONTINUATION SHEET

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Chairperson Kerschen asked for questions or comments. Senator Ware made the comment that she did not realize until she heard testimony on this bill that there was potential harm in handling egg shells that had not been washed and perhaps there should a public service announcement to alert the public to this fact.

<u>Senator Berger then moved and Senator Estes seconded to recommend favorably the passage of HB2464.</u> Motion carried.

Final action on:

Chairperson Kerschen called for final action on **HB2575**.

Tamera Lawrence of the Revisor of Statutes Office explained the bill. It amends the Kansas Drycleaner Environmental Response Act to change the deductible rate, tax assessment rate and the penalty for operators who fail to collect and submit certain surcharges and fees. The bill also clarifies distinction between a drycleaning facility owner and operator and makes a number of technical changes.

<u>Senator Estes moved and Senator Berger seconded to recommend **SB2575** favorably for passage. Motion carried.</u>

Chairperson Kerschen thanked the committee for their service and work this session. He then adjourned the meeting at 8:55.