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2001 SENATE AGRICULTURE

SCR 4038

2001 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SCR 4038

Senate Agriculture Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date March 1, 2001

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
March 1 1	X		0.0 - 6.0

Committee Clerk Signature *Jay J. Haberman*

Minutes:

SENATOR WANZEK; Sponsor, introduced the resolution to the committee. This resolution is asking for a study of the use of contracts in agricultural production and marketing.

SCOTT FRY; Dakota Resource Council for Kari Hagen, testified in support of this resolution.

See attached testimony.

PAUL GERMOLUS; Attorney Generals Office for Wayne Stenehjem, offered any technical assistance if this resolution is chosen to be studied by the Legislative Council in the next two years.

The hearing was closed.

SENATOR KLEIN moved for a DO PASS.

SENATOR NICHOLS seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: 6 Yeas, 0 No, 0 Absent and Not voting.

SENATOR WANZEK will carry the resolution.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 1, 2001 12:22 p.m.

Module No: SR-35-4592
Carrier: Wanzek
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4038: Agriculture Committee (Sen. Wanzek, Chairman) recommends DO PASS
(6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4038 was placed on the
Eleventh order on the calendar.

2001 HOUSE AGRICULTURE

SCR 4038

2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SCR 4038

House Agriculture Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 3--15--01

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
TWO	A		4471 TO 4835
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Edward D. Clayton</i>			

Minutes:

CHAIRMAN NICHOLAS: WE WILL OPEN THE HEARING ON SCR 4038.

SENATOR WANZEK: THIS IS A CONTRACT BILL. DEALS WITH CONTRACT LAW.

WORTH ISSUE TO STUDY. THE CHAIR WILL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON 4038

REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON MOVES A DO PASS, REPRESENTATIVE

BRANDENBURG. ROLL WAS TAKEN 15*****YES*****0*****NO*****0****ABSENT

REPRESENTATIVE ONSTAD WILL CARRY THE RESOLUTION. WE WILL CLOSE ON

SCR 4038

3-15-01

Date:
Roll Call Vote #:

2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SR 1038

House AGRICULTURE Committee

Subcommittee on _____
or
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken DO PASS

Motion Made By JOHNSON Seconded By BRANDENBURG

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Eugene Nicholas, Chairman	✓		Rod Froelich	✓	
Dennis E. Johnson - Vice Chairman	✓		Doug Lemieux	✓	
Rick Berg	✓		Philip Mueller	✓	
Michael Brandenburg	✓		Kenton Onstad	✓	
Joyce Kingsbury	✓		Sally M. Slandvig	✓	
Myron Koppang	✓		Dennis J. Renner	✓	
Edward H. Lloyd	✓		Dwight Wrangham	✓	
Bill Pietsch	✓				

Total (Yes) 15 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment ONSTAD

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 15, 2001 12:29 p.m.

Module No: HR-45-5705
Carrier: Onstad
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4038: Agriculture Committee (Rep. Nicholas, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR (15 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4038 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.

2001 TESTIMONY

SCR 4038

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Testimony in support of C.R. 4038
Senate Agriculture Committee
3/1/01

Chairman Wanzek and members of the Senate Agriculture Committee, my name is Karl Hagen. I am a rancher from Dunn Center, North Dakota. I am also a past board member of the Dakota Resource Council. I am writing to represent Dakota Resource Council and my own interests. Dakota Resource Council supports Senate Concurrent Resolution 4038.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 4038 will allow the state of North Dakota to examine the vertical integration that comes about through contract farming. It will allow the leaders of this state to determine if they want to have a state of family farmers who own the land, the crops they grow, and are responsible in their production, or if the leaders in this state want a state of serfs working for the last four farmers.

Dakota Resource Council has historically been involved in the fight against vertical integration of agricultural markets. We believe that this needs to stop before the same people who buy the outputs from our operations are the ones who sell us the inputs. Dakota Resource Council does not want North Dakota's family farm-based agricultural economy to develop into the kind of contract farming and livestock production that exists right now along the East Coast and Southern States. Such vertical integration leaves producers with large debt loads and no assurances that they will be able to afford to continue farming. I do not want my children to be serfs on their own land hoping for a continuing contract to keep the bankers off their backs for another year.

Kari Hagen
Dunn Center, ND