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2001 HOUSE AGRICULTURE

HCR 3007

2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3007

House Agriculture Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 2-2-01

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
TWO	A		00 TO 1360
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Edward D. Ellyson</i>			

Minutes:

1A: 00 CHAIRMAN NICHOLAS: We will open on HCR 3007.

1A: WES BELTER: I am Representative Wes Belter, Dist 22. I introduced HCR3007

because in the Eastern part of the state of N.D. it seem like we have a continually problem of flooding. I'd like to develop a legislative Bill that would in some way set up a taxing district whereby farmers when they receive damage by flooding that they would get some compensation above what Federal Crop Insurance would pay. It seem that flooding that takes place continues to be a problem. I think it is important that we as a Legislator study water and the problems with drainage. I think as time goes on, because of these problems, we are going to be in a situation where as metropolitan areas grow it is going to be harder to deal with drainage problems. Control the flood of water that enters our rivers. I think we will reach a point because of these restrictions flooding is going to increase the problems of flooding. I hope that we as a legislator could began the process of looking what we might be able to do as far as

dealing with drainage and how we might be able deal with the problems of compensating those property owners who could eventually forced to hold water in order to prevent flooding in our metropolitan areas. And other town etc.

1A: 242 CHAIRMAN NICHOLAS: Rep. Belter, do you feel that a good way to do that would just allow the farmer to get preventative planning on that ground. On an on going basis: there is preventative planning we have farmers all over ND. now that have ground, for an example in Towner County 20 percent of the killable land is under water. Don't you feel that if some farmer has to hold water to allow some other farmer to get his crop he should just pay his premium and allow him to get free planning. That is going to bring him in more revenue then some to the programs and it is a fair way of doing it. He pays a premium for it. If the water goes down he is able to start farming his ground again. Do you see that as an avenue to be used as Federal Crop Insurance..

1A: REP. BELTER: From the Federal aspect, yes I think that's certainly a possibility and I think we have two problems here. We have the problems of potentially flooding that some areas are now experiencing and we have the problem of spring flooding. We have the problem of flooding after the crops are seeded and then are destroyed.

1A: 418 CHAIRMAN NICHOLAS: A lot of this ground that is holding water is never in condition to get into raise any kind of a crop. The best thing you can do is probably not even try to plant it. If you do plant it just put something on it that will stop erosion. In fairness to the farmer if he has two thousand acres and all of a sudden he loses 500 acres of his land that is gone and produces nothing. If he could get the sixty or depending where he is at from forth to one hundred and twenty five bucks an acre; depending on the type of crop he is able to use.

I think that is a fair way for everyone. Pasture or range land, that is another question.

We should compensate range and ranch land differently.

Conversation ongoing: talked about water sheds. What are we going to do about some people wanting to keep there little water sheds district. A big problem is local eneties. Through the study process we have to come up with. We have school district's or whatever. We are dealing with a much bigger area then just localized. We need a larger scale plan. We need to terminate those smaller areas because they have a very beneficial interest in.....WE will try to resolve some of those issues.

1A: 753 CHAIRMAN NICHOLAS: Any other questions committee members. Thank you Rep. Belter. Other testimony in support of this Resolution.

1A: LEE KLAPPRODT; DIRECTOR PLANNING AND EDUCATION DIVISION STATE WATER COMMISSION: Printed testimony. We support the Resolution. Please CC the printed testimony.

1A: 1102 CHAIRMAN NICHOLAS: Any questions committee members?

Thank you very much. Is there anyone wishing to appear in opposition of HCR.

If not we will close the hearing on HCR 3007.

AFTER CLOSING THERE WAS AN INDIVIDUAL THAT WANTED TO TAKE THE PEOPLES POSITION.....FOLLOWS.

1A: ARDEN HANNER: Douglas, N.D. I was the water manager for twenty one years.

Back in the 80's we talked about this study. I'm sending a picture around so that you see what is in southern Ward County. The elevation drops 100 feet per mile. Local water boards have a tremendous amount of trouble to handle that kind of situation. We were involved in the Souris

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River flood control project which took in four counties. The four counties had trouble agreeing on how they are going to proceed. I see a problem with trying to come to solutions. If you have a group in one county that won't solve their local problems, how are you going to get five or ten counties to address the situation. That is the question I leave. In the Devils Lake Basin you can't get all the counties to agree. To draw the same conclusion.

1A: 1357 CHAIRMAN NICHOLAS: O.K. we will close the hearing on HCR 3007.

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THREE	A		2732 TO 3054
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Edward D. Ellyson</i>			

Minutes:

1A:CHAIRMAN JOHNSON:

WE WILL OPEN HEARING ON HCR 3007.

Representative Mueller: I will move for a DO PASS ON 3007.

Representative Brandenburg: I will second.

Any discussion Committee.

Representative LEMIEUX: I have one question on this, line 17 if it is a legislative council study or should be a North Dakota water commission study?

That was the only comment that I have.

CHAIRMAN JOHNSON: Any other discussion on 3007?

ROLL CALL WAS TAKEN.....THERE WERE ""13 YES.....0 NO.....2 ABSENT

REPRESENTATIVE PIETSCH WILL CARRY HCR 3007.

WE WILL CLOSE THE HEARING ON HCR 3007. 1A:3054

2-16-01

Date:  
Roll Call Vote #;

2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HER 3007

House AGRICULTURE Committee

Subcommittee on \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken DO PASS

Motion Made By Mueller 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) 13 No 0

Absent 2

Floor Assignment CARRICIL

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



**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)**  
February 16, 2001 2:39 p.m.

**Module No: HR-29-3728**  
**Carrier: Pietsch**  
**Insert LC: . Title: .**

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**HCR 3007: Agriculture Committee (Rep. Nicholas, Chairman) recommends DO PASS**  
**(13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3007 was placed on the**  
**Eleventh order on the calendar.**

2001 SENATE AGRICULTURE

HCR 3007

2001 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3007

Senate Agriculture Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date March 22, 2001

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
March 22 1		X	13.2 - 48.4
March 29 1	X		18.2 - 27.4
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Larry J. Haberman</i>			

Minutes:

REP. BELTER; Sponsor, introduced the resolution to the committee. This resolution would study the problems dealing with drainage of large areas and what we can do to help stem the problems we have with flooding.

SENATOR FISCHER; Cosponsor, testified in support of this resolution.

SENATOR URLACHER; Do the joint board cover most of the drainage areas?

SENATOR FISCHER; The problem that we have is that when we cross county lines is the taxation issues. We can enter into agreements with other counties. This resolution address a watershed district that would be more permanent.

SENATOR URLACHER; Could the joint board could expand the purpose?

SENATOR FISCHER; Yes, a joint board could become a watershed board.

SENATOR NICHOLS; Is there problems with what entities make the decisions?

SENATOR FISCHER; In the metropolitan area the water board, city and county all work in conjunction to address issues concerning the area. In rural areas the community is involved in the discussion, the decision lies with the water board depending on whether it falls under the clean water act.

SENATOR KROEPLIN; What is a regional watershed?

SENATOR FISCHER; It is set up in many different ways depending what comes out of the study.

SENATOR KROEPLIN; Wouldn't you have problems with counties overlapping?

SENATOR FISCHER; We address that with joint boards now.

SENATOR TRENBEATH; Cosponsor, testified in support of this resolution.

LEE KLAPPRODT; State Water Commission, testified in support of this resolution. See attached testimony and information.

CHUCK DAMSCHEN; Cavalier County Water board, testified in opposition to this resolution and its concept. Different areas of each watershed have unique characteristics. This concept tends to centralize the control of the watershed and the decision making.

ANDY MORK; Morton County Resource Board, testified in the neutral position on this resolution.

SENATOR URLACHER; Dist. 36, testified in the neutral position on this bill. There has been some concern about the water boards being too numerous and the complications of developing within watersheds. I feel good about the local control of county water boards and I think there is room within joint boards or authorities to address specific needs within those watersheds through joint boards or authorities.

The hearing was closed.

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**March 29, 2001**

Discussion was held.

SENATOR ERBELE moved for a DO NOT PASS.

SENATOR KROEPLIN seconded the motion.

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

SENATOR URLACHER will carry the bill.

