

OHIO SENATE
Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources Minutes
March 13, 2019
133rd General Assembly

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources was called to order pursuant to the meeting notice at approximately 4:03 p.m. in the North Hearing Room of the Statehouse.

Attendance was taken. A quorum was present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved without objection, correction, or addition.

The Chair called the Governor's appointments:

David Whiting, State Emergency Response Commission.
G. Gary Kaster, Ohio Reclamation Forfeiture Fund Advisory Board
James Carnes, Liquor Control Commission
J. Randal Van Dyne, State Emergency Response Commission
Lamond Jasper Jr., Advisory Board on Amusement Ride Safety
Larry Lindrose Jr., State Emergency Response Commission
Mary Mertz, Director of the Department of Natural Resources
Michael Fitchet, State Emergency Response Commission
Paul Mechling II, Wildlife Council
William Brantingham, State Emergency Response Commission
William Siplivy, Ohio Reclamation Forfeiture Fund Advisory Board

Vice Chair Hill moved that the appointments be recommended to the Committee on Rules and Reference. Ranking Member O'Brien seconded the motion. The motion was agreed to by a vote of 10-0.

Chairman Hoagland called on Director Mertz to say a few words before the committee.

Chairman Hoagland called up S.B. 57 for its second hearing, Proponent Testimony. The following testimony was provided:

Jonathan Miller, U.S. Hemp Round table, Proponent Testimony (Written testimony provided)
Kristin Mullins, President of the Ohio Grocers Association, Proponent Testimony, (Written testimony provided)
Chad Ferguson, Zativa, Proponent Testimony, (Written testimony provided)
Tony Seeger, Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, Proponent Testimony (Written testimony provided)
Beth Wymer, Ohio Wholesale Marketers Association, Proponent Testimony (Written testimony provided)
Melissa Ryan, American Massage Therapy Association Ohio Chapter, Proponent Testimony (Written testimony provided)
Tom Haren, Ohio Hemp Association, Proponent Testimony (Written testimony provided)
Tim Johnson, Ohio Cannabis Chamber of Commerce, Proponent Testimony (Verbal testimony, written provided after committee)
Julie Doran, Ohio Hemp Farmers Cooperative, Proponent Testimony (Verbal testimony, written provided after committee)
Theresa Daniello, TDCann Institute, Proponent Testimony (Verbal testimony, written provided after

committee)

Chris Ferruso, NFIB, Proponent Testimony (Written testimony only)

Lora Miller, The Ohio Council of Retail Merchants, Proponent Testimony (Written testimony only)

Zachary Frymier, Ohio Chamber of Commerce, Proponent Testimony (Written testimony only)

With no further business to come before the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee,
Chairman Hoagland adjourned the meeting at 5:32 p.m.

Frank Hoagland, Chair