

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE,
AND MINING**

**Seventy-Eighth Session
May 14, 2015**

The Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining was called to order by Chair Robin L. Titus at 1:34 p.m. on Thursday, May 14, 2015, in Room 3138 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. Copies of the minutes, including the Agenda ([Exhibit A](#)), the Attendance Roster ([Exhibit B](#)), and other substantive exhibits, are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and on the Nevada Legislature's website: www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/78th2015. In addition, copies of the audio or video of the meeting may be purchased, for personal use only, through the Legislative Counsel Bureau's Publications Office (email: publications@lcb.state.nv.us; telephone: 775-684-6835).

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Assemblywoman Robin L. Titus, Chair
Assemblyman Nelson Araujo
Assemblyman Richard Carrillo
Assemblywoman Victoria A. Dooling
Assemblyman Chris Edwards
Assemblyman David M. Gardner
Assemblyman James Oscarson
Assemblywoman Heidi Swank

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Assemblyman Jim Wheeler, Vice Chair (excused)
Assemblywoman Maggie Carlton (excused)
Assemblyman John Ellison (excused)
Assemblyman Ira Hansen (excused)

GUEST LEGISLATORS PRESENT:

None



STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Susan E. Scholley, Committee Policy Analyst
Jim Penrose, Committee Counsel
Donna J. Ruiz, Committee Secretary
Cheryl L. Williams, Committee Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT:

None

Chair Titus:

[Roll was taken. Committee policies and procedures were explained.] I will now open the work session on Senate Bill 305 (1st Reprint).

Senate Bill 305 (1st Reprint): Authorizes industrial hemp farming in this State under certain circumstances. (BDR 49-656)

Susan E. Scholley, Committee Policy Analyst:

Senate Bill 305 (1st Reprint), sponsored by Senator Segerblom, was heard in this Committee on May 12, 2015. Senate Bill 305 (1st Reprint) relates to industrial hemp being permitted in the state pursuant to a pilot agricultural or research program. The bill authorizes the State Department of Agriculture to adopt regulations. [Referred to work session document ([Exhibit C](#)).]

Amendments were proposed at the hearing. In response to discussions after the hearing, the bill's sponsor has proposed an alternative amendment, which is shown in the mock-up that was prepared by committee counsel and is attached to the work session document ([Exhibit C](#)). You may recall that one of the primary concerns was that the exemption of industrial hemp from the definition of marijuana was of concern to those proposing an amendment. After the meeting and following discussions, they realized that the only exemption from the definition of marijuana was limited to industrial hemp produced in a research or agricultural program, and that allayed their concerns. This amendment does not address the concerns regarding the importation of cannabinoids (CBD). Senator Segerblom has indicated that he is not interested in proposing that sort of an amendment. With that, I will be happy to answer any questions.

Chair Titus:

If there are no questions, I will entertain a motion to amend and do pass.

ASSEMBLYMAN EDWARDS MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS
SENATE BILL 305 (1ST REPRINT).

ASSEMBLYMAN GARDNER SECONDED THE MOTION.

Chair Titus:

Is there any discussion? [There was none.]

THE MOTION PASSED. (ASSEMBLYMEN CARLTON, ELLISON,
HANSEN, AND WHEELER WERE ABSENT FOR THE VOTE.)

Chair Titus:

I will close the work session on Senate Bill 305 (1st Reprint).
Assemblyman Araujo will take the floor statement. Is there any public
comment? [There was none.]

This meeting is adjourned [at 1:38 p.m.].

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Donna J. Ruiz
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Assemblywoman Robin L. Titus, Chair

DATE: _____

EXHIBITS

Committee Name: Assembly Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining

Date: May 14, 2015

Time of Meeting: 1:34 p.m.

Bill	Exhibit	Witness / Agency	Description
	A		Agenda
	B		Attendance Roster
S.B. 305 (R1)	C	Susan E. Scholley, Committee Policy Analyst	Work Session Document