

**MINUTES OF THE HOUSE  
NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, & ENVIRONMENT  
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Room W125, West Office Building, State Capitol Complex

January 17, 2007

**Members Present:** Rep. Roger E. Barrus, Chair  
Rep. Kerry Gibson, Vice Chair  
Rep. Sylvia Andersen  
Rep. Mel Brown  
Rep. Glenn Donnelson  
Rep. Jack Draxler  
Rep. Carl Duckworth  
Rep. James Gowans  
Rep. Neal Hendrickson  
Rep. John Mathis  
Rep. Mike Noel  
Rep. Patrick Painter  
Rep. Phil Riesen  
Rep. Steve Sandstrom  
Rep. Richard Wheeler

**Staff Present:** Brian Allred, Policy Analyst  
Carrie Griffith, Committee Secretary

Note: List of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes

Rep. Barrus called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.

**H.J.R. 1      Joint Resolution Regarding Action on Groundwater in Snake Valley (*Rep. R. Wheeler*)**

Rep. Wheeler explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Mark Ward, Utah Association of Counties.  
Steve Erickson, Citizen's Education Project  
Todd Bingham, Utah Farm Bureau  
Terry Marasco, Snake Valley Citizen's Alliance

MOTION: Rep. Noel moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

**H.B. 72      Brand Inspection of Livestock Seized by the Federal Government (*Rep. M. Noel*)**

Rep. Noel explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill:            Terry Menlove, Utah Department of Agriculture  
   Todd Bingham, Utah Farm Bureau

MOTION:      Rep. Mathis moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

**H.B. 66      Restricting Regulation of Natural Hot Springs (*Rep. C. Oda*)**

This bill was not considered.

**H.B. 67      Age Amendments for Hunting Big Game (*Rep. C. Oda*)**

Rep. Oda explained the bill to the committee. (two handouts)

Spoke for the bill:            Jim Karpowitz, Director Wildlife Resources  
   Miles Moretti, Chairman and CEO of Mule Deer Foundation (two handouts)

MOTION:      Rep. Sandstrom moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION:      Rep. Hendrickson moved to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

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Rep. Roger E. Barrus, Chair