

The House Committee on Agriculture & Livestock

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10:00 a.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on May 9, 2016, the House Committee on Agriculture & Livestock met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative King, Tracy O., at 10:05 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives King, Tracy O.; Anderson, Charles "Doc"; Cyrier; González, Mary; Rinaldi; and Springer.

A quorum was present.

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The committee met to address the following interim charges:

Evaluate policy challenges to the state's agriculture and livestock industry, including long-term impacts of price declines in oil and natural gas; the availability of natural resources, including water, necessary to operate the industries; and the mitigation of and preparation for potential future hazards to the industries caused by natural disaster, drought, or disease.

Study the impacts of windblown trash on agriculture and ranching.

Study the appraisal of agricultural land for taxation and related issues, including the change-of-use "rollback" provision. Examine the impact of the current appraisal system of agricultural land for taxation on rural economic development.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

At 2:32 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. King, Tracy O., Chair

Sam Bacarisse, Clerk