

2009 HOUSE AGRICULTURE

HCR 3028

2009 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. 3028

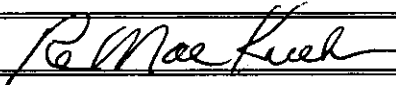
House Agriculture Committee

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Hearing Date: February 12, 2009

Recorder Job Number: 9357

Committee Clerk Signature



Minutes:

Representative Belter, Sponsor: What this resolution says, the State Legislature strongly supports the use of biotechnology in the development of food as well as products from agricultural products. It's remarkable what technology has done these last years as far as yields, disease resistance, weed resistance, chemical resistance. I think it's important we continue our progress in the development biotechnology products.

Representative Rust: Is there some movement from the Federal Government not to support this?

Representative Belter: There are groups that resist biotechnology. They have deep pockets with a lot of money. It is important for us to be on guard.

Representative Belter: I would also like to add the same terminology as the previous HCR 3014 amendment.

Testimony handed out for **Julie Ellingson, ND Stockmen's Assn.**

(Written testimony attached #1)

Opposition: None

Chairman Johnson: Closed the hearing

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Minutes:

Vice Chairman Brandenburg: I move to add the same amendment to HCR 3028 as we did on HCR 3014.

Chairman Johnson: We wouldn't have to send it to the Interior Dept. would we?

Vice Chairman Brandenburg: I move to send it to the President, House Majority/Minority Leaders, Senate Majority/Minority Leaders, and Secretary of Agriculture.

Representative Schatz: Seconded it.

Voice vote taken. Passed.

Representative Boe: I move **Do Pass as amended and placed on the Consent Calendar.**

Representative Uglem: Seconded it.

Representative Mueller: What was the explanation of the "beneficial qualities of biotechnology."

Representative Kingsbury: Enhancing wheat by putting qualities into it for better health or better yield.

Chairman Johnson: There weren't any crops that were identified specifically.

Representative Mueller: I support the resolution. I'm not sure what it is going to do that isn't already being done. Is responsible use of biotechnology cramming it down the Japanese throats?

Chairman Johnson: That would up to interpretation. Responsible use is what we are doing with technology.

Representative Holman: I also interpret this as endorsing the use of GMO crops. That's a big deal for North Dakota.

A Roll Call vote was taken. **Yes: 11, No: 0, Absent: 2**, (Representatives Belter & Froehlich).

Representative Brandenburg will carry the bill.

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2/12/09

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3028

Page 2, line 10, after "to" insert "the President of the United States, the Senate and House Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate, the United States Secretary of Agriculture, and to"

Renumber accordingly

Date: 2/12/09

Roll Call Vote #: _____

2009 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 3028

House Agriculture Committee☐ Check here for Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken ☐ **Do Pass** ☐ **Do Not Pass** ☐ **Amended**

Motion Made By Rep. Brandenburg Seconded By Rep. Schatz

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Total (Yes) _____ No _____

Absent _____

Bill Carrier

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

Also be sent to additional
US leaders

Date: 2/12/09Roll Call Vote #: HCR 3028**2009 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES**
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. _____House Agriculture

Committee _____

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Legislative Council Amendment Number

98336.0102

Action Taken



Do Pass



Do Not Pass



Amended

Motion Made By

Rep. Boe

Seconded By

Rep. Uglem

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Dennis Johnson, Chair	✓		Tracy Boe	✓	
Mike Brandenburg, Vice Chair	✓		Rod Froelich	AB	
Wesley R. Belter	AB		Richard Holman	✓	
Joyce M. Kingsbury	✓		Phillip Mueller	✓	
David S. Rust	✓		Benjamin A. Vig	✓	
Mike Schatz	✓				
Gerry Uglem	✓				
John D. Wall	✓				

Total (Yes) 11 No 0

Absent

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Bill Carrier

Rep. Brandenburg

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

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3028: Agriculture Committee (Rep. D. Johnson, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** and **BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR** (11 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3028 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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Renumber accordingly

2009 SENATE AGRICULTURE

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2009 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. 3028

Senate Agriculture Committee

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Hearing Date: March 20, 2009

Recorder Job Number: 11353

Committee Clerk Signature



Minutes:

Sen. Flakoll opened the hearing on HCR 3028, a resolution urging congress to support the responsible use of the beneficial qualities of biotechnology such as pharmaceuticals anti-immune disease control, biodegradable plastics, and other potential benefits to people and the global environment through high-yield agricultural production. All members (7) were present.

Sen. Wanzek, introduced the bill to the committee and went over it and its purpose.

Sen. Wanzek- This is urging congress to support the responsible use of bio-use and biotechnology and all the other qualities in this bill to people and the environment through high yield agriculture production. I think there are so many benefits that bio-technology presents.

ND Stockmen's association also submitted testimony in support of the bill, see attachment #1.

No opposition to the bill.

Sen. Flakoll closed the hearing.

Sen. Heckaman motioned for a do pass and was seconded by **Sen. Behm**, roll call vote 7 yea 0 nay 0 absent. **Sen. Heckaman** was designated to carry the bill to the floor.

Date: 01/01/00
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2009 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 3028

Senate Agriculture

Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number

Action Taken

Motion Made By

Seconded By

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Total (Yes) 7 No 0

Absent ☐

Floor Assignment

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

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 20, 2009 9:20 a.m.

Module No: SR-51-5437
Carrier: Heckaman
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3028, as engrossed: Agriculture Committee (Sen. Flakoll, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HCR 3028 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

2009 TESTIMONY

HCR 3028

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*Same
testimony given
to Senate*

#1
Julie Ellington
3028
2/12/09

HCR 3028 Testimony

Good morning, Chairman Johnson and members of the House Agriculture Committee.

For the record, my name is Julie Ellington and I represent the North Dakota Stockmen's Association.

The North Dakota Stockmen's Association recognizes the need to increase productivity, respond to a growing global demand for food and to continue to provide a safe, wholesome food supply.

The dedication and innovation of America's farmers and ranchers and others in the food supply chain, coupled with the tremendous advances we've made in science and technology, allow us to accomplish those goals, all while enhancing the environment and being responsible caretakers of our animals.

The North Dakota Stockmen's Association supports policies that allow our industry to live up to its potential and utilize the resources and technologies available to do that.

For these reasons, we support HCR 3028.