

Legislative Update
South Dakota Stockgrowers Association
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General

Bill introductions picked up steam this week. New bills will continue to appear through the end of next week. The most contentious topic in the capitol this week was a bill to bar change of sex on birth records. That was passed by the House. A number of bills were introduced regarding the initiative process and a number of bills were introduced relative to the recently passed marijuana measures.

Stockgrowers' Legislative Issues

HB 1040, to fund a \$5 million small meat processor grant program, unanimously passed the House Agriculture Committee and was referred with a "do pass" recommendation to the Appropriations Committee. Your lobbyist testified in favor of 1040.

SB 76, to revise provisions regarding public access to certain meandered bodies of water died 4-3 in the Senate Ag. Committee.

SCR 604, supporting a US trade policy favorable to COOL, will be heard in Senate Ag. this coming Tuesday the 2nd.

Two bills of interest came from the governor's office this week -

- HB 1111 removes GF&P authority to confiscate guns and vehicles for game violations. At present it appears no hunter trespass statues have a confiscation penalty.
- HB 1140 codifies current GF&P practice and bars conservation officers from entering any private land without landowner/lessee permission or probable cause. Under the bill CO's may enter private land to dispatch crippled wildlife or in the event of an emergency situation.

Speaker Gosch has introduced HB 1115 to remove the requirement that not more than four GF&P commissioners be from the same political party.

We have lined up sponsors and text for a "50 - 14" resolution.

If you have any questions or comments about this week's report or about activities in Pierre, please feel free to contact me at murphy@rushmore.com

Best regards,

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Legislation of Interest

Following are the bills that have been introduced that may impact Stockgrowers. You can read the bill text and actions by clicking on the blue bill number. Bill status is noted in the status column. DP = "Do Pass" DNP = "Do Not Pass" "41st day" means a bill has been killed.

Status	Bill	Title
1/28 DP H. Ag.	HB 1029	require a permit to conduct mining operations for certain ore milling facilities.
1/28 ref. Approps	HB 1040	make an appropriation to fund certain small meat processor grants and to declare an emergency.
2/2 House Ag.	HB 1047	provide limited deer and antelope licenses to landowners.
2/2 House Taxation	HB 1085	redefine the criteria for classifying land as agricultural for tax purposes.
2/2 House Taxation	HB 1099	revise the property tax exemption amount for certain agricultural property.
	HB 1111	revise certain provisions regarding inspections and seizures by, and forfeitures involving, the Department of Game, Fish and Parks.
	HB 1115	revise the qualifications of Game, Fish and Parks commissioners.
	HB 1140	restrict the entry of conservation officers onto certain private land without permission.
1/26 DP S. Comm.	SB 34	make an appropriation to expand rural access to broadband services and to declare an emergency.
1/25 DP Senate	SB 52	revise the permit duration on certain concentrated animal feeding operations.
1/27 DP S. Tax	SB 70	revise and reorganize certain provisions regarding the assessment of property for the purposes of taxation.
1/26 DNP Sen. Ag.	SB 76	revise provisions regarding public access to certain meandered bodies of water.
2/2 Senate Ag.	SCR 604	Supporting trade negotiations to remove barriers to country of origin labelling.