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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HOUSE AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK & IRRIGATION COMMITTEE
MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 18, 1977
3:30 p.m.
Rm. 434
State Capitol Bldg.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Day, with all members present except, Representative Brand.

Representative Ellerd, chief sponsor of H.B. 148, moved H.B. 148, be tabled in committee. It was seconded by Representative Staigmiller. Representative Ellerd explained that there would be another bill coming up that would conflict with H.B. 148, and at that time the committee could decide to combine the two bills or omit one of the bills. The motion was passed unanimously, to table H.B. 148.

Representative Bertelsen, chief sponsor of H.B. 167, was present to explain the bill. He stated that this bill was a request by the Department of Livestock, and it was simply a bill to change the time limit for hearings. The way it is set up now the hearings for suspension or revocation of a license must be held not less than 10 days or more than 15 days after the mailing of the notice. This bill would change the 15 days to 30 days.

Les Graham, Department of Livestock, was present to testify in favor of H.B. 167. He stated that with the mail problems sometimes the dealers did not receive their notices in time to make arrangements to be at the hearings. I would be a convenience to both the dealer and the department if the length of time was changed, as stated in this bill.

Representative Bertelsen, closed with a do pass recommendation.

Chairman Day stated that the fiscal note on H.B. 135, which was heard in committee January 13, was now available for the committee to observe. He asked if there was any comment or objection to letting H.B. 135, go down to the house floor. With no objections it will be sent to the floor.

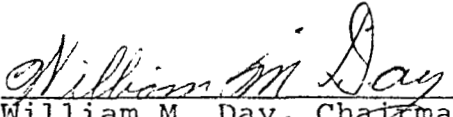
The committee then went into executive session on H.B. 167. Representative Conroy moved H.B. 167, do pass. It was seconded by Representative Severson. The motion was carried unanimously.

Senator Jergeson from the Senate Agriculture committee, was present to explain, that two ladies from Montana State University had come to the Senate Agriculture meeting and asked if the committee would introduce a joint resolution to continue the visual appearance, market, fitting, ect., portion of the Animal Science Department at the university. The budget for this was \$831, which is going to be discontinued. Representative Ellerd recommended the committee agree, unless there was a serious reason for not agreeing. He had a stock market in Bozeman for 20 years and stated the university students helped a lot at the market, while they were learning.

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Chairman Day entertained a motion to adjourned. It was moved by Representative Gunderson, and passed unanimously.

Adjourned at 4:00 p.m.


William M. Day, Chairman

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