## **MINUTES**

## HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON Agriculture and Rural Development

**DATE: March 30, 2017** 

Chairman Victory called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM. Representatives Victory, Whiteford, Pagel, LaSata, Hoadley, and LaGrand were present.

Representative Whiteford moved to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2017 meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote without objection.

The Chair offered a substitute for House Bill 4241 (H-1, Draft 1). Representative LaSata moved to adopt the substitute. Representatives Victory, Whiteford, Pagel, LaSata, Hoadley, and LaGrand voted in support of the motion; the substitute was adopted.

The House Fiscal Agency provided an overview of the bill and proposed MDARD budget. Copies of HFA documents are included in the official subcommittee meeting file in the House Fiscal Agency.

Representative Hoadley offered Amendment #1, an amendment to add language to Section 711 regarding criteria for the food and agriculture investment program and related reporting requirements. Representatives Victory, Whiteford, Pagel, LaSata, Hoadley, and LaGrand voted in support of the motion; the amendment was adopted.

Representative Victory moved to report the bill, as amended, to the full committee on Appropriations. Representatives Victory, Whiteford, Pagel, LaSata, Hoadley, and LaGrand voted in support of the motion; the motion was adopted. [After inclusion of the amendment, the bill will be transmitted to the clerk of the House Committee on Appropriations as House Bill 4241 (H-1), Draft 2.]

Chairman Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 12:30 PM.