

MINUTES
HOUSE AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
RAYMOND SUBCOMMITTEE
Animals

DATE: Monday, January 14, 2019

TIME: 3:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW42

MEMBERS: Chairman Raymond, Representatives Stevenson, Andrus, Goesling, Nichols, Toone, Abernathy

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

GUESTS: Jay Shaw, Administrative Rules; Scott Leibsle, Bill Barton and Dan Salmi with the Idaho State Department of Agriculture; Russ DeKruyf, Glandbia Nutritional; Marv Patten, Milk Producers of Idaho; Bob Naerebout, Idaho Dairyman's Association

Chairman Raymond called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

DOCKET NO. 02-0408-1801: **Dr. Scott Leibsle**, Deputy Administrator for the Division of Animal Industries at the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) presented this rule docket explaining changes in the updated versions of the Pasteurized Milk Ordinance, the Methods of Making Sanitation Ratings and the Interstate Milk Shipment regulations include the addition of language to harmonize these regulations with the new, mandated Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA). The updated language in the Evaluation of Milk Laboratories regulations provides for additional testing equipment to be used to allow increased efficiency in testing.

MOTION: **Rep. Toone** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 02-0408-1801. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0409-1801: **Dr. Scott Leibsle** presented this rule docket. He indicated the purpose of the rule change was to clarify several sections of the rule that were confusing or were causing conflicting opinions as to the proper procedure of how to correctly enforce the rule. This rule established regular proficiency testing for each laboratory that test the component content of Idaho producer milk to determine payment. Each lab must meet the performance and accuracy standards in their proficiency testing in the rule. If a lab does not meet the accuracy standards, they could lose their certification and no longer be permitted to test milk to determine payment.

MOTION: **Rep. Andrus** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 02-0409-1801. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0413-1801: **Dr. Scott Leibsle** presented this rule docket. He stated the rule is being updated to reflect the changes to sanitation and construction portion requirements of the 2017 Pasteurized Milk Ordinance (PMO) and will affect the eleven facilities that operate under a "Unlimited Raw Milk Permit."

MOTION: **Rep. Toone** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 02-0413-1801. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0429-1801: **Dan Salmi**, ISDA Laboratory Bureau Chief presented this rule docket. He oversees the Animal Health Lab to which this rule pertains. He explained that the ISDA Animal Health Laboratory's mission is to conduct diagnostic and regulatory disease testing of animals. One of the regulatory tests performed is Trichomoniasis testing of cattle. The ISDA Animal Health Lab has updated the protocol for Trichomonas foetus testing. Since this procedure is incorporated by reference, it should be updated.

The revised procedure includes additional options for veterinarians to collect and transport samples to the laboratory, giving veterinarians a more cost effective way to submit samples. This had been requested by numerous veterinarians and the Trichomoniasis Advisory Board.

The revision also eliminates redundant and repetitive information. For example, quantitative real-time PCR is now simply PCR. We also require the lab to use testing materials that are approved by the US Department of Agriculture.

Dan Salmi responded to committee members questions regarding costs. He explained that his lab has to use an approved kit by the USDA to ensure consistent testing. The other change is if a cheaper tube or product used to collect the sample by the veterinarian comes to the market, that could be used. The two types of transport medias available now range from approximately \$8.00 to \$9.50 and there is current research for a cheaper option as low as \$1.00. A veterinarian must collect the sample and submit it to the lab.

MOTION: **Rep. Andrus** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 02-0429-1801. Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

Representative Raymond
Chair

Shellie Coates
Secretary