

MINUTES
HOUSE AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, February 06, 2020

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW42

MEMBERS: Chairman Boyle, Vice Chairman Troy, Representatives Kerby, Stevenson, Zito, Andrus, Giddings, Goesling, Marshall, Nichols, Raymond, Kiska, Toone, Abernathy, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

GUESTS: Laura Johnson, ISDA; Vic Mason, ISDA; Cindy Stark, ISDA; Jay Shaw, DFM

Chairman Boyle called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

DOCKET NO. 02-0104-1901: **Laura Johnson**, Bureau Chief, ISDA, stated negotiated rule making was conducted with some modest changes to the rule. She said new categories were created for some existing product qualifications and certain processed food and beverages. She also said the beef qualifications were revised to be consistent with other meat products. She explained the Idaho Preferred Promotion Program is a voluntary marketing program which provides standards, not regulations for Idaho products.

MOTION: **Rep. Andrus** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0104-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0301-1901: **Victor Mason**, Administrator for Agricultural Resources, stated this rule was previously approved and codified. He said the rule establishes a process for responding to pesticide detection in ground water, development of a pesticide management plan and setting levels of response to a pesticide detection. He said in compliance with the Red Tape Reduction Act, 596 words were removed with 62 of those being restrictive.

MOTION: **Rep. Stevenson** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0301-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0202-1901: **Cindy Stark**, Administrator for Agricultural Inspections, explained two rules previously approved were combined into one rule in order to streamline and simplify rules relating to apples. She said after analysis, it was found some sections regulate an activity not already regulated by the federal government.

MOTION: **Rep. Kerby** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0202-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0205-1902: **Cindy Stark** stated no substitutive changes were made to the three rules governing stone fruit including cherries, prunes and apricots. She said all three rules have been consolidated into one in accordance with the Red Tape Reduction Act. She stated having been previously approved, the consolidation was reviewed to update authority, and remove restrictive and redundant language.

MOTION: **Rep. Goesling** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0205-1902. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0415-1901: **Dr. Bill Barton**, Administrator for Animal Industries, stated this pending rule was previously approved and codified. He said in compliance with the Red Tape Reduction Act, the rule was reviewed for repeal of non-substantive sections while maintaining the original intent. He said some sections were more restrictive or broader in scope than the federal law. He explained this rule establishes standards for the storage and management and application of manure on beef cattle animal feeding operations.

MOTION: **Rep. Raymond** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0415-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0417-1901: **Dr. Barton** explained this rule adopts a previously approved and codified chapter establishing standards for the management and disposal of livestock carcasses to best protect the environment and human health. He stated this entire rule is not governed by federal standards.

MOTION: **Rep. Raymond** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0417-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0420-1901: **Dr. Barton** explained the rule will reduce the Brucellosis test eligible age of cattle/bison from 18 months to 12 months. He explained this was necessary to minimize restrictions on interstate market access for Idaho cattle producers. He explained the second change will remove Idaho origin as a prerequisite for adult Brucellosis vaccination of cattle/bison, as this designation is an unnecessary regulation that no longer poses a risk to the cattle industry.

MOTION: **Rep. Kiska** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0420-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0421-1901: **Dr. Barton** explained there were 11 stakeholders who participated in negotiated rule making. He said the first change is to the Extended Validity Equine Certificate to allow participation in an electronic equine program and modify the requirement of a certificate. The second change amends entry permit language to allow for Idaho's use of the online livestock entry permit database. He said the third change will eliminate the Brucellosis testing requirement for import of domestic cervidae originating from a state/region that is declared Brucellosis free.

MOTION: **Rep. Raymond** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0421-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0423-1901: **Dr. Barton** stated this pending rule adopts a previously approved and codified rule. He said the rule establishes standards for the permitting and management of commercial livestock truck washing facilities in Idaho while protecting human health and the environment. He stated this entire rule is an activity not regulated by the federal government.

MOTION: **Rep. Goesling** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0423-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0430-1903: **Dr. Barton** explained in order to streamline and simplify the rules, four rules related to general environment regulations on agriculture and livestock facilities were combined into one. He said no substitutive changes were made. He said this rule in its entirety regulates an activity not regulated by the federal government.

MOTION: **Rep. Marshall** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0430-1903. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0212-1901: **Cindy Stark** explained this rule is unique in that it is both a pending and a pending fee rule. She explained there are sections of the rule broader in scope than federal law or regulations. She stated the rule was reviewed for amendment or repeal of select sections in order to comply with the Red Tape Reduction Act. She said there were no substitutive changes to the original rule.

MOTION: Rep. Troy made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0212-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURNED: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Representative Boyle
Chair

Joan Majors
Secretary