

MINUTES
**HOUSE AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
STEVENSON SUBCOMMITTEE**

DATE: Tuesday, January 16, 2018
TIME: Upon Adjournment of the Full Committee
PLACE: Room EW42
MEMBERS: Chairman Stevenson, Representatives VanOrden, Kerby, Troy, Zito, Armstrong, Toone
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
GUESTS: None

Chairman Stevenson called the meeting to order at 1:55 p.m.

DOCKET NO. 02-0602-1701: **Jared Stuart**, ISDA Section Manager, presented **Docket No. 02-0602-1701**. He explained Idaho incorporates by reference standards manuals used nationally by industry and regulatory officials providing producers with clear and defined guidelines and terms as well as acceptable standard practices and policies. This change to the rule updates the reference to the most recently available copy of the manual so terms, definitions and standards are up to date for producers and regulators. He stated this will also ensure producers and distributors do not encounter changing standards from state to state while producing and distributing products in Idaho and nationwide.

MOTION: **Rep. Kerby** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 02-0602-1701. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0612-1701: **Jared Stuart**, ISDA Section Manager, presented **Docket No. 02-0612-1701**. He explained Idaho incorporates by reference standards manuals used nationally by industry and regulatory officials providing producers with clear and defined guidelines and terms as well as acceptable standard practices and policies. This change to the rule updates the reference to the most recently available copy of the manual so terms, definitions and standards are up to date for producers and regulators. He stated this will also ensure producers and distributors do not encounter changing standards from state to state while producing and distributing products in Idaho and nationwide.

MOTION: **Rep. VanOrden** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 02-0612-1701. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0621-1701: **Dan Salmi**, ISDA Bureau Chief, presented **Docket No. 02-0621-1701**. He explained the primary function of the Feed and Fertilizer Laboratory has been regulatory/enforcement testing to ensure products are formulated as described on the product label. He said in the past the lab occasionally accepted public service samples on a fee basis. Performing a complex series of testing on a single sample is simply not cost effective. He stated the ISDA has halted voluntary service sample testing as of January 1, 2017, and is requesting the elimination of this rule.

MOTION: **Rep. Troy** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 02-0621-1701. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0641-1701: **Jared Stuart**, ISDA Section Manager, presented **Docket No. 02-0641-1701**. He explained Idaho incorporates by reference standards manuals used nationally by industry and regulatory officials providing producers with clear and defined guidelines and terms as well as acceptable standard practices and policies. This change to the rule updates the reference to the most recently available copy of the manual so terms, definitions and standards are up to date for producers and regulators. He stated this will also ensure producers and distributors do not encounter changing standards from state to state while producing and distributing products in Idaho and nationwide.

MOTION: **Rep. Toone** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 02-0641-1701**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0801-1701: **Brandy Kay**, Idaho Sheep and Goat Health Board, presented **Docket No. 02-0801-1701**. Ms. Kay reported Idaho was the only surrounding state that does not require a Brucella ovis test for rams, male sheep, entering the state. Because the Brucella ovis could affect the lamb crop causing more abortions and stillborns, it was decided through the negotiated rule process to require the Brucella ovis test for rams 6 months of age or older.

MOTION: **Rep. Kerby** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 02-0801-1701**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 08-0501-1701: **Brent Olmstead**, College of Agriculture and Life Science, presented **Docket No. 08-0501-1701**. He stated the proposed rule would amend the Idaho Grain Certification Standards to allow irrigated fields producing certified class seed to be used if they have not produced small grain for the previous crop year unless the small grain was of an equal or higher class of the same variety being planted. The current standard restricts the land use to fields that have not produced visually indistinguishable grain for the two prior years unless the grain is of an equal or higher class of the same variety or unless a seedling inspection is conducted. Additional changes would amend the Potato Certification Standards, removing "corky ring spot" from the Seed Lot Disqualifying Conditions and specifying seed lots with a greater than 1.0% of "Well Defined Mosaic" are not eligible for re-certification.

MOTION: **Rep. VanOrden** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 08-0501-1701**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the subcommittee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

Representative Stevenson
Chair

Joan Majors
Secretary