

Model Bills and Regulations Committee
2015 AAFCO Annual Meeting
August 4, 2015 - Denver, CO

Committee Recommendations:

None

Board Recommendations:

Association Actions:

Committee Report and Minutes (August 4, 2015):

Model Bills and Regulations Committee Chairman Doug Lueders called the meeting to order at 4:50 p.m. on August 4, 2015. He welcomed committee members, industry advisers and guests who were present, and reviewed the agenda. He asked if there were any suggested changes to the agenda or additional topics to be brought before the committee, and none were offered.

In addition to Mr. Lueders, committee members in attendance were: Ken Bowers (Kansas), Bill Burkholder (FDA), Mike Davidson (California), Bob Geiger (Indiana), April Hunt (Michigan), Ben Jones (Texas) and Richard Ten Eyck (Oregon).

There were no Committee members participating by phone.

Industry advisers present were: Scott Ringger (AFIA); David Dzanis (APPA/ACVN); Jan Campbell and David Fairfield (NGFA); and Angele Thompson and Pat Tovey (PFI).

Minutes from Previous Committee Meeting

Chairman Lueders noted that minutes from the January 13, 2015 committee meeting conducted in San Antonio were approved on March 16, posted on the AAFCO website and were included in the 2015 Annual Meeting's General Session packet.

Old Business

Chairman Lueders noted the committee had no old business to consider. He also noted that all previous recommendations emanating from the committee's meeting in San Antonio were approved by the AAFCO Board of Directors and the AAFCO membership at August 3rd General Session.

New Business

The committee proceeded to consider new business.

1. It was noted that earlier in the week it was brought to the Chair's attention that Feed Labeling Committee would be forwarding an updated swine nutrition panel that removed the Zinc requirements. This will be addressed electronically before the Committee prior to the mid-year meeting
2. FSMA - A working group consisting of April Hunt (chair), Richard Ten Eyck, Leah Wilkinson, David Fairfield and Patrick Tovey was appointed by the chair to review the AAFCO Model Bills and Regulations for harmonization with the impending FSMA rules. They will draft model language and submit to the committee for concurrence.
3. Model Bills and Regulations – AFIA explained that they found a few discrepancies within the Model Bill while working on state feed law updates in the past year. The Chair indicated that he was also aware of needs for certain editorial changes. AFIA and the Chair will combine their lists and present them to the Committee for consideration.

Assignments/Homework for Mid-Year Meeting

The Committee and Advisors were made aware that they should expect some subjects for consideration prior to the 2016 mid-year meeting.

Adjournment

Mr. Lueders asked whether there was any other business to be considered by the committee. Given that none was identified, the committee meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m. MDT

On behalf of the Model Bills and Regulations Committee, I respectfully submit this annual report and request acceptance of the report by the AAFCO Board of Directors and the Association Membership.