

Model Bill & Regulations Committee Report

2024 AAFCO Midyear Meeting

Jan. 24, 2024 – Chattanooga

Committee Recommendations:

- (1) recommend the proposed section iii of SUIP 7 – Progression of Proposed Modifications to the Commercial Feed Act, 3(b) include:

and not adulterated within the meaning of Section 7(a) of this Act,

- (2) recommend relocating the SUIP 7 under the Commercial Feed Act as section iii:

All chews, bones, toys and exercisers made of animal skin, hide, wood, or man-made material for Pets and Specialty Pets, whether flavor-coated or unflavored, - Hooves, Ears, Animal Bones, Ligaments, Snouts, Pizzles. – unless the manufacturer, in its product labeling or advertising, makes any claim that the product is intended for use as an animal food, or that the product provides anything of nutritional value to the animal (i.e., “digestible” or “high-protein”) are not adulterated within the meaning of Section 7 (a) of this Act.

- (3) Recommendation 1: Add lot identifiers definition to model bill Section 3. Definitions of Words and Terms

“Lot identifier” means a unique identifier, such as a run number, ode, date, or other suitable identification for each batch or production run that enables the manufacturer to accurately trace the manufacturing and distribution history of a product. To facilitate tracing of packaged products, lot identifiers can be applied to the label, container, or package. For bulk products, lot identifiers can be applied to the label, invoice, or other documents accompanying the product.

Add below language to Section 4. Labeling of Model Bill

- (a) In case of a commercial feed, exempt a customer-formula feed, it shall be accompanied by a label bearing the following information. (8) A lot identifier.
(b) In the Case of a customer-formula feed, it shall be accompanied by a label, invoice, delivery slip, or other shipping document, bearing the following information: (8) A lot identifier.

Add below language to Regulation 2. Label Format of Model Regulations

- (e) A lot of identifier.

Board Recommendations: None

Association Actions:

Committee Report and Minutes:

Model Bill & Regulations Committee Report

2024 AAFCO Midyear Meeting

Jan. 24, 2024 – Chattanooga

Model Bill and Regulations Committee Chair Dan King called the meeting to order at 10:47 a.m. eastern time on Jan. 24, 2024.

Committee members participating in the meeting were: Dan King, Committee Chair (Minnesota), Ken Bowers (Kansas), Patrick Clouser (FDA), George Ferguson (North Carolina), Kristen Green (Kentucky), David Husner (Pennsylvania), Darrell Johnson (Kentucky), Ben Jones (Texas), Jordan Mancini, Vice-Chair (Minnesota)

Industry advisers participating were Cathy Alinovi (NGPFMA), Bill Bookout (APPA), Jan Campbell and David Fairfield (NGFA), Meghan Dicks and Steve Younker (AFIA), by Zoom Dave Dzanis (ACVN), Emily Helmes (ETA), Aaron Hobbs (NACIA), Angele Thompson (PFI), Pat Tovey (PFI)

Proposed Modifications to the Commercial Feed Act

Jordan Mancini motions to move SUIP 7 under the Commercial Feed Act as section iii and include the same language as sections i and ii, “and are not adulterated within the meaning of Section 7(a) of this Act,” as the end of section iii. Discussed centered around the SUIP workgroup refining language and making clarifications for “Chews” and exemptions. The motion fails for lack of a second.

The Model Bill & Regulations Committee Report will finalize the wording for the proposed modifications to the Commercial Feed Act at the next meeting. There will also be a discussion about the CFR inclusion and adding “synthetic” after the word man-made.

Proposed Modifications to the SUIP 8

The language in SUIP 8 will remain as is. Based on the discussion about SUIP 9 at the IDC, insects are here to stay. This modification requires additional future consideration.

Poultry Feed Guarantees Proposal

The poultry feed guarantees proposal did not pass through the Feed labeling Committee. There are concerns that the growing stage terms in the proposal may not align with current industry practices. Further discussion about the proposal was deferred to a future date. It was deemed more appropriate to return the poultry feed guarantees proposal to the Feed Labeling Committee. David Husner motions to return to Feed Labeling Committee, George Ferguson Seconds. Motion Passes.

Unique Identifiers on Feed Labels

Dave Husner moves to add the language in sections a and b for labeling lot identifier and in the regulation 2 A lot identifier to the Model Bill. Jordan Mancini seconds. The motion fails.

Model Bill & Regulations Committee Report

2024 AAFCO Midyear Meeting

Jan. 24, 2024 – Chattanooga

Dave Husner moves that feed labeling recommendations one, two, and three be returned to the Feed Labeling Committee with guidance from the Model Bill & Regulations Committee. George Ferguson. The motion carries.

Dave Husner made a motion to return the poultry feed guarantees proposal to the Feed Labeling Committee. George Ferguson seconds. The motion carries.

Pet Food Cottage Feed Exemption Workgroup

The Pet Food Cottage Feed Exemption Workgroup was established to create criteria for small cottage food exemptions with members Cathy Alinovi, Patrick Tovey, George Ferguson, Justin Hill, Dan King and an AFIA representative (TBD).

Adjournment

Chair Dan King adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:39 a.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted by Minutes Services