

Representative John G. Mathis proposes the following substitute bill:

AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD AND LIVESTOCK

RELATED POLICY

2010 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: John G. Mathis

Senate Sponsor: Dennis E. Stowell

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies the Utah Agricultural Code to address the activities of the Agricultural Advisory Board.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ expands the duties and membership of the Agricultural Advisory Board to encompass issues related to the care of livestock and poultry; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

4-2-7, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 175

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:



26 Section 1. Section 4-2-7 is amended to read:

27 **4-2-7. Agricultural Advisory Board created -- Composition -- Responsibility --**

28 **Terms of office -- Compensation.**

29 (1) There is created the Agricultural Advisory Board composed of 13 members
30 representing each of the following:

- 31 (a) Utah Farm Bureau Federation;
- 32 (b) Utah Farmers Union;
- 33 (c) Utah Cattlemen's Association;
- 34 (d) Utah Wool Growers' Association;
- 35 (e) Utah Dairymen's Association;
- 36 (f) Utah Pork Producer's Association;
- 37 (g) egg and poultry producers;
- 38 [~~(g)~~] (h) Utah Veterinary Medical Association;
- 39 [~~(h)~~] (i) Livestock Auction Marketing Association;
- 40 [~~(i)~~] (j) Utah Association of Conservation Districts;
- 41 [~~(j)~~] (k) the Utah horse industry;
- 42 [~~(k)~~] (l) the food processing industry;
- 43 [~~(l)~~] (m) manufacturers of food supplements; and
- 44 [~~(m)~~] (n) a consumer affairs group.

45 (2) The Agricultural Advisory Board shall advise the commissioner regarding:

46 (a) the planning, implementation, and administration of the department's programs[-];

47 and

48 (b) the establishment of standards governing the care of livestock and poultry, as part
49 of which the Agricultural Advisory Board may consider:

- 50 (i) food safety;
- 51 (ii) local availability and affordability of food; and
- 52 (iii) acceptable practices for livestock and farm management.

53 (3) (a) Except as required by Subsection (3)(c), members are appointed by the
54 commissioner to four-year terms of office.

55 (b) Representatives of the organizations cited in Subsections (1)(a) through (1)(h) shall
56 be appointed to the Agricultural Advisory Board by the commissioner from a list of nominees

57 submitted by each organization.

58 (c) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsection (3)(a), the commissioner shall, at
59 the time of appointment or reappointment, adjust the length of terms to ensure that the terms of
60 board members are staggered so that approximately half of the board is appointed every two
61 years.

62 (d) Members may be removed at the discretion of the commissioner upon the request
63 of the group they represent.

64 (e) When a vacancy occurs in the membership for any reason, the replacement shall be
65 appointed for the unexpired term.

66 (4) The board shall elect one member to serve as chair of the Agricultural Advisory
67 Board for a term of one year.

68 (5) (a) The board shall meet four times annually, but may meet more often at the
69 discretion of the chair.

70 (b) Attendance of seven members at a duly called meeting constitutes a quorum for the
71 transaction of official business.

72 (6) (a) Members shall receive no compensation or benefits for their services, but may
73 receive per diem and expenses incurred in the performance of the member's official duties at
74 the rates established by the Division of Finance under Sections 63A-3-106 and 63A-3-107.

75 (b) Members may decline to receive per diem and expenses for their service.

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State Impact

Adding one more member to the board will require an ongoing appropriation of \$400 from the General Fund to the Department of Agriculture and Food.

	<u>FY 2010 Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2011 Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2012 Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2010 Revenue</u>	<u>FY 2011 Revenue</u>	<u>FY 2012 Revenue</u>
General Fund	\$0	\$400	\$400	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$400	\$400	\$0	\$0	\$0

Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.