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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND SMALL BUSINESS

The meeting was called to order by Representative Clifford Campbell at
Chairperson

9:10 a.m. ~~pm~~ on February 24, 1988 in room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Dean who was excused.

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department
Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes Office
Marjorie Brownlee, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Keith Nelson, Chairman, Wheat Commission
Howard Tice, Executive Director, Kansas
Association of Wheat Growers
Archie Hurst, Division of Inspections,
Board of Agriculture
Wilbur Leonard, Committee of Kansas Farm
Organizations
Ivan Wyatt, President of the Kansas Farmers
Union
Tom Tunnel, Kansas Grain and Feed Associa-
tion

Hearings were held on HB 2906 and HB 2967. In most cases, the conferees wanted to address both bills.

The first conferee was Keith Nelson, Chairman of the Wheat Commission. He spoke favorably for both bills. (Attachment I)

Howard Tice, Executive Director of the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers was the next conferee. He was a proponent of each of the bills, however, he did propose an amendment for HB 2967, copy of which is attached. (Attachments II and III)

Archie Hurst from the Board of Agriculture spoke in lieu of Galen Swenson who was unable to appear. He was a proponent of the bills. (Attachment IV)

The next conferee, Wilbur G. Leonard, represented the Committee of Kansas Farm Organizations. He, too, wished to support both bills. (Attachment V and Attachment VI)

The last conferee was Ivan Wyatt, President of the Kansas Farmers Union. He was in opposition to both bills. (Attachment VII)

Representative Campbell asked if there were any others in attendance who wished to speak with regard to these bills. Tom Tunnel, Kansas Grain and Feed Association, spoke briefly in rebuff to an earlier suggestion by a Committee member that affidavits be issued at the elevator to the farmer saying he did not exceed the minimum bushels of wheat and therefore no assessment would be made against his produce. Mr. Tunnel did not like this suggestion inasmuch as he felt it could become a bookkeeping "nightmare" on the part of the elevator. He further stated in rebuttal to Mr. Wyatt that, in all probability, the small farmer whose wheat is less than the minimum amount does not consider this as his main source of income.

After a dialogue between all conferees and the Committee, the Chairman adjourned the meet at 10:02 a.m..

The next meeting of the House Agriculture and Small Business Committee will be on Thursday, February 25, 1988, at 9:00 a.m., in room 423-S.

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Kansas Wheat Commission Testimony

Before The

House Agriculture Committee

February 24, 1988

Chairman Campbell, members of the committee, ladies and gentlemen, I appreciate the opportunity to testify this morning on House Bills 2906 and 2967. I am Keith Nelson, a wheat producer from Pawnee Rock and chairman of the wheat commission.

HB2906

I believe I will address House Bill 2906 first, with the chairman's permission. This bill would eliminate refunds to farmers in amounts less than \$5 and would bring the wheat commission into compliance with legislation passed two years ago. The legislation directed state agencies to pool purchases so that checks would not need to be made to pay vouchers of less than \$5. The Division of Accounts and Reports felt the commission should apply this to refunds and not pay voucher requests of less than \$5. I might point out that this bill does not change the refund procedure for the other three grain commissions.

Senate Bill 277 was proposed last year to eliminate refunds less than \$5, passed the Senate but was left in a committee on the House side after amendments concerning the amount of money the

commissions pay to the general fund were added. SB277 dealt with the refund change for all four grain commissions.

Two weeks ago language was added to Senate Bill 448 which incorporated several changes in the Wheat Act into one bill. This bill now changes the mill levy from 4 mills up to a maximum of 10 mills, changes the words wheat "excise tax" to wheat "assessment", and does not allow refunds under \$5. Of course, this bill deals only with the wheat commission and not the other three grain commissions. SB448 passed the Senate and should now be over on the House side, probably assigned to this committee.

As discussed last year, not allowing refunds less than \$5 will lessen the amount of refund requests to the agency and reduce the cost to the state of writing checks for less than \$5. The main savings would be in personnel time dealing with 15 percent fewer refunds and the savings to the state for not writing the little checks. The dollar effect upon the income portion of our budget will be minimal. In FY86, refunds of less than \$5 accounted for 14 percent of the number of KWC refunds but only 1 percent of the dollar value of FY86 refunds. A grower could pool his/her small individual refund requests throughout a year and ask for one refund which would be over \$5. Thus, the commission may save or have as additional income approximately \$1000 of the \$1,094 requested in small refunds in FY86.

Back to the savings in personnel time, the Personnel Division reviewed commission staffing two years ago and recommended the commission add a part-time assistant for office work to assist in processing refunds. Due to budgetary constraints, this has not been done. Therefore, the improved efficiency and reduced workload would be welcomed and would free up some staff time for wheat market development work.

HB2967

The Kansas Wheat Commission consists of seven members appointed by the governor. House Bill 2967 would lengthen the term of appointment from two years to four years.

The change in term of commissioners would give the commission a more stable direction over time. Board and staff members would know for a longer time period who was on the board and could set some longer term goals with the certainty they would be carried out. Also, if Kansas were eligible for officer rotation in U.S. Wheat Associates or some other organization commissioners play active roles in on behalf of the Kansas Wheat Commission, we would be able to make a commitment for a three or four year period vs. only a two year period. Sometimes, two years is not a long enough period for officer rotation schemes.

I believe the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers will be suggesting language for the bill which would clarify the new

rotational time periods and how to get them properly staggered.

That concludes my testimony and I certainly want to thank you for the time granted today for speaking on behalf of these bills. If there are any questions, I would gladly try and address them.



KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF WHEAT GROWERS
"ONE STRONG VOICE FOR WHEAT"

TESTIMONY

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND SMALL BUSINESS
CHAIRMAN: REPRESENTATIVE CLIFFORD CAMPBELL

SUBMITTED BY HOWARD W. TICE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, I am Howard W. Tice, and I appreciate this opportunity to testify today in favor of HB 2967.

There are two major reasons we support lengthening the terms of office for the members of the Kansas Wheat Commission. First, with a two year term, it is all too possible that a commissioner would just be reaching his or her most productive level when that two year term expires. Four year terms would give us this greater degree of consistency on the commission.

In addition, the rotation of leadership in U.S. Wheat Associates is on a four year basis. Kansas is regularly looked to for leadership in U.S. Wheat Associates, and should have knowledgeable and prepared individuals ready when our turn for leadership comes around. A four year term would better assure us of being in that position. With the present two year terms, a commissioner could be starting up the chairs in U.S. Wheat, only to have his or her term expire. If that person is not retained on the Commission, Kansas would lose that spot in the leadership rotation. Now is the right time to make this change, also, as the rotation is starting again at this time.

We should also note that the other Kansas grain commissions have four year terms, and this bill would establish consistency among the four grain commissions.

We would like to offer an amendment to the bill to stagger the expiration dates of commissioners' terms. This would assure that the wheat commission would not be completely changed in a relatively short period of time.

At present, if the Governor should be so busy that he waits until the fall or winter to make commissioner selections, and names all new commissioners one year, and then selects all new people the following July 1st, we would have an entirely new board in less than a year's time.

In the fields of market development and research, consistency is an important word. If our wheat commissioners are to do the best job possible for their industry, we need to have a board that is allowed to function long enough, with experienced people on board, that they don't have to spend the majority of their time being educated in how to do their job.

We thank the committee for introducing HB 2967, and would ask you to add our proposed amendment and then report the bill favorable for passage.

HOUSE BILL No. 2967

By Committee on Agriculture and Small Business

2-16

0017 AN ACT concerning the Kansas wheat commission; relating to
0018 the terms of members thereof; amending K.S.A. 2-2603 and
0019 repealing the existing section.

0020 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

0021 Section 1. K.S.A. 2-2603 is hereby amended to read as fol-
0022 lows: 2-2603. (a) There is hereby created the Kansas wheat
0023 commission. The commission shall consist of seven (7) members
0024 to be appointed by the governor. Vacancies which may occur
0025 shall be filled for unexpired terms in the same manner from
0026 among the growers of the state. Each commissioner appointed on
0027 and after the effective date of this act, other than a commis-
0028 sioner appointed to fill a vacancy for an unexpired term, shall be
0029 appointed for a term of ~~two (2)~~ four years. Nothing in this
0030 subsection shall affect the term of any member of the commis-
0031 sion appointed prior to the effective date of this act. Members
0032 -serving on the commission on the effective date of this act shall
0033 continue as members until the expiration of the term for which
0034 such members were appointed.

0035 (b) One (1) commissioner shall be appointed for each of the
0036 six (6) districts designated as follows; except that for the first
0037 appointment the commissioner for districts I, III and V shall be
0038 appointed for a term of two (2) years, and the commissioner for
0039 districts II, IV and VI shall be appointed for a term of one (1)
0040 year.

0041 District I, consisting of the following counties: Clark, Meade,
0042 Ford, Gray, Hodgeman, Haskell, Finney, Seward, Stevens,
0043 Grant, Kearny, Hamilton, Stanton, Morton.

0044 District II, consisting of the following counties: Norton, Phil-
0045 lips, Smith, Osborne, Rooks, Graham, Trego, Ellis, Russell, Bar-

except that commissioners first appointed on and after
the effective date of this act from districts II, IV
and VI shall be appointed for a term of three years

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0046 ton, Rush, Ness, Pawnee, Stafford.

0047 District III, consisting of the following counties: Lane, Scott,
0048 Wichita, Greeley, Wallace, Logan, Gove, Sheridan, Thomas,
0049 Sherman, Cheyenne, Rawlins, Decatur.

0050 District IV, consisting of the following counties: Edwards,
0051 Kiowa, Comanche, Barber, Pratt, Reno, Kingman, Harper,
0052 Sumner, Sedgwick, Harvey.

0053 District V, consisting of the following counties: Jewell, Re-
0054 public, Rice, Washington, Mitchell, Cloud, Clay, Lincoln, Ot-
0055 tawa, Dickinson, Ellsworth, Saline, McPherson, Marion.

0056 District VI, consisting of the following counties: Marshall,
0057 Nemaha, Brown, Doniphan, Atchison, Jackson, Pottawatomie,
0058 Riley, Jefferson, Leavenworth, Osage, Wyandotte, Shawnee,
0059 Wabaunsee, Geary, Douglas, Johnson, Miami, Franklin, Lyon,
0060 Morris, Chase, Coffey, Anderson, Linn, Bourbon, Allen, Wood-
0061 son, Greenwood, Butler, Elk, Wilson, Neosho, Crawford, Cher-
0062 okee, Labette, Montgomery, Chautauqua, Cowley.

0063 (c) The seventh member shall be appointed from among the
0064 growers of the state ~~for a term of two (2) years~~. The secretary of
0065 the state board of agriculture or a duly authorized representative
0066 of the secretary, and the dean of the school of agriculture, Kansas
0067 state university, or a duly authorized representative of the dea~~r,~~]
0068 shall be ex officio members, without the right to vote, of this
0069 commission.

0070 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2-2603 is hereby repealed.

0071 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and
0072 after its publication in the statute book.

DATE: 24 February 1988

TO: House Committee on Agriculture and Small Business

BY: Galen Swenson, Administrator
Commodity Commissions, Kansas Board of Agriculture

RE: House Bill 2906

Mr. Chairman, members of your committee, I am Galen Swenson, Administrator of the Corn, Grain Sorghum, and Soybean Commissions. Thank you for allowing me to address your committee regarding HB 2906. While the bill is concerning the administration of the Kansas Wheat Act, I would ask for your consideration in amending K.S.A. 2-3007 relative to the corn, grain sorghum, and soybean commissions and their ability to limit payment refunds to a minimum of \$5 per commodity. Such amendment would concur with the implications to the Kansas Wheat Commission as stated in HB 2906.

Authorization for such was provided in Senate Bill 277 in the 1987 session has yet to pass out of the House.

I am making this request on behalf of the Commission members who are supportive of this authorization due to the cost and time savings to their program and other governmental services. Undoubtedly, the increased revenue is marginal, however, the savings to process the warrants under \$5 would be of great significance.

Thank you for your consideration.

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February 24, 1988

TO: House Committee on Agriculture and Small Business

FROM: Wilbur G. Leonard, representing the Committee of Kansas Farm Organizations

RE: House Bill No. 2906

The Committee of Kansas Farm Organizations supports the provisions of House Bill No. 2906 which would limit the refunds made from the "excise tax" collected by the wheat commission on wheat marketed through commercial channels in the state of Kansas.

However, we respectfully request the Committee to defer action on this bill until the Committee has had the opportunity to consider Substitute for Senate Bill No. 448, which has passed the Senate and is pending before your Committee.

That bill provides that:

1. The term "excise tax" be changed to "assessment" to conform to the collections made on corn, grain sorghum and soybeans.
2. The wheat commission would be authorized to increase the assessment rate from 4 mills per bushel to a maximum of 10 mills per bushel.
3. No refund of less than \$5 would be issued.

Further, Senate Bill No. 637, which would raise the levy of assessment on soybeans from 10 mills per bushel to 20 mills per bushel, is scheduled for hearing before the Senate Committee on Agriculture, February 25, 1988. We intend to support that bill and will propose an amendment to limit refunds from the corn, grain sorghum and soybean commodity funds to amounts of \$5 or more. If adopted, such provision would bring that measure into conformity with Substitute for Senate Bill No. 448.

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL NO. 2967

BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

AND SMALL BUSINESS

February 24, 1988

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

I am Wilbur Leonard, appearing on behalf of the Committee of Kansas Farm Organizations. We appreciate this opportunity to present our views in support of House Bill No. 2967.

We believe that it just makes good sense that members of the Kansas wheat commission be appointed for four year terms.

The members of other commissions are appointed to four year terms.

Four year terms would provide more consistent leadership by Kansans in the U. S. Wheat Associates.

Four year terms give the members a better opportunity to understand the workings of the commission to to cope with the problems which arise.

Staggered terms provide a desirable degree of continuity.

We urge the Committee to recommend House Bill No. 2967 favorably for passage.

Respectfully submitted,

Wilbur Leonard

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE OF KANSAS FARM ORGANIZATIONS

ASSOCIATED MILK PRODUCERS

KANSAS AGRI-WOMEN

KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF WHEAT GROWERS

KANSAS COOPERATIVE COUNCIL

KANSAS CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

KANSAS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES

KANSAS ETHANOL ASSOCIATION

KANSAS FARM BUREAU

KANSAS FERTILIZER & CHEMICAL INSTITUTE, INC.

KANSAS GRAIN & FEED DEALERS ASSOCIATION

KANSAS LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION

KANSAS MEAT PROCESSORS ASSOCIATION

KANSAS PORK PRODUCERS COUNCIL

KANSAS RURAL WATER DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

KANSAS SEED DEALERS ASSOCIATION

KANSAS SOYBEAN ASSOCIATION

KANSAS STATE GRANGE

MID-AMERICA DAIRYMEN

KANSAS VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

KANSAS WATER WELL ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT
OF
IVAN W. WYATT, PRESIDENT
KANSAS FARMERS UNION
ON
HB-2906 AND HB-2967
REFUSAL OF REFUNDS AND LONGER MEMBER TERMS
FEBRUARY 24, 1988

MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

I AM IVAN WYATT, PRESIDENT OF THE KANSAS FARMERS UNION.

IN THESE TIMES CREDIBILITY IS A COMMODITY OF SHORT SUPPLY. IN WASHINGTON, WE HAVE WITNESSED SCORES OF GOVERNMENTAL APPOINTED OFFICIALS UNDER INVESTIGATION. WE HAVE SEEN THE CREDIBILITY OF ELECTRONIC PREACHERS COME CRASHING DOWN.

WE HEAR ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES OF COMMODITY ORGANIZATIONS VOTE IN A MANNER THAT VIOLATES THE TRUST OF THOSE WHO HAVE ELECTED THEM.

THIS MAY NOT BE NEW -- JUST MORE EVIDENT TODAY.

THE QUESTION THE FARMERS UNION RAISES, "SHOULD THE LEGISLATURE GRANT A TAX BUFFET TO ANY GOVERNMENT AGENCY WITHOUT REVIEW OF NEED AND USAGE OF THESE STATE COLLECTED FUNDS, ESPECIALLY IN THE LIGHT OF STATEMENTS MADE BY A WHEAT COMMISSION SPOKESPERSON WHO STATED THE 150% LEVY INCREASE WAS NOT NEEDED AT THIS TIME?"

IN RESPONSE TO THIS QUESTION, A SPOKESPERSON FOR THE WHEAT COMMISSION STATED THERE WAS AMPLE OVER-SIGHT OF THE COMMISSION WITHOUT LEGISLATIVE OVER-SIGHT BECAUSE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WERE UP FOR REVIEW AND RE-APPOINTMENT BY THE GOVERNOR EVERY TWO YEARS. HE STATED THAT IF A TAXPAYER HAD ANY PROBLEM, HE COULD VOICE THIS PROBLEM TO THE GOVERNOR.

WE NOW HAVE A REQUEST IN HB-2967 THAT LENGTHENS THAT REVIEW PERIOD FROM 2 YEARS TO FOUR YEARS.

ATTACHMENT VII

SUCH STATEMENTS AND ACTIONS GIVE A GRAVE APPEARANCE OF EROSION OF CREDIBILITY.

FURTHER APPEARANCE OF EROSION OF CREDIBILITY CONTINUES. AFTER ALL THE PROMISES OF SAFEGUARDS BY THE COMMISSION, LEGISLATION NOW APPEARS IN A SENATE BILL THAT READS: "TO GIVE THE WHEAT COMMISSION AUTHORITY TO MOVE THE LEVY WITHOUT LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL, THE WHEAT TAX WAS RENAMED AN ASSESSMENT."

SUCH ACTIONS RAISES THE QUESTION OF INTEGRITY (WEBSTER DEFINES INTEGRITY AS HONESTY AND CANDOR), AND INVITES ABUSES IN THE FUTURE.

WHILE THE COMMISSION IS ASKING FOR A 150% TAX INCREASE, IN SB-448 AND IN HB-2906, THE COMMISSION WANTS TO DENY REFUNDS TO THE STATES SMALLER FARMS AND MANY OF THE STATES OLDER RETIRED FARMERS.

SPEAKING TO THIS ISSUE IN THE SENATE AG COMMITTEE, THE KANSAS FARMERS UNION STATEMENT WAS:

"THE KANSAS FARMERS UNION OPPOSES THE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST THE STATES SMALLER FARMERS, WHO IN MANY CASES ARE ELDERLY RETIRED FARMERS OR THEIR WIDOWS WHO RENT THEIR FARMS ON A CROP SHARE BASIS, WHICH COULD MAKE THEM INELIGIBLE FOR REFUNDS. MANY OF THESE ARE PEOPLE LIVING ON A LIMITED RETIREMENT FUNDS BECAUSE OF TODAY'S LOW COMMODITY PRICES. THIS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED NO LESS THAN DISCRIMINATION."

"IN MUCH OF OUR TAXING STRUCTURE, THE ELDERLY, THE LOW INCOME FARMER, OR THOSE WHO HAVE SUFFERED A LOSS ARE GRANTED SOME TAX RELIEF, THEY ARE NOT DISCRIMINATED AGAINST."

BESIDES THE APPARENT EROSION OF CREDIBILITY OF THE COMMISSION, THIS SECTION OF HB-2906 SHOWS A GROSS DISREGARD FOR THESE FARM FAMILIES.

SINCE THE AMENDED SB-448 GIVES THE COMMISSION AUTHORITY TO MOVE THE LEVY WITHOUT LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL IN RENAMING THE TAX AMENDMENT AND IN LENGTHENING THE REVIEW PERIOD FROM 2 YEARS TO 4 YEARS, IT RAISES EVEN A GREATER CONCERN THAT TAXPAYER DOLLARS COULD BE CO-

MINGLED WITH OTHER CONTRIBUTORS IN A SEPARATE ENTITY.

FOR EXAMPLE, KANSAS WHEAT GROWERS TAX DOLLARS ARE BEING CO-MINGLED WITH PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONAL FUNDS. AT LEAST ONE OF THESE CONTRIBUTING ORGANIZATIONS RECENTLY SAID IN AN AGRICULTURAL NEWS LETTER: "WE HAVE TO RECOGNIZE THAT THERE ARE MORE IMPORTANT THINGS IN AGRICULTURE RIGHT NOW THAN PRICE".

MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE, HOW MANY OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS DO YOU THINK WOULD AGREE WITH THAT STATEMENT? HOW MANY WOULD KNOWINGLY WANT THEIR TAX DOLLARS TO BE SPENT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH AN ORGANIZATION MAKING SUCH STATEMENTS? AND HOW MANY WHEAT FARMERS BELIEVE THEY CAN PAY THEIR BILLS AND SUPPORT THEIR FAMILIES WITHOUT PRICE?

I'M SURE THAT BEFORE ANY BANKER WOULD MAKE A PRODUCTION LOAN FOR A COMMODITY, ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS HE WOULD BASE THAT LOAN DECISION ON WOULD BE THE PRICE OF THAT COMMODITY.

IF THE CREDIBILITY OF ALL THE KANSAS GRAIN COMMISSIONS IS TO BE RETAINED, THE KANSAS LEGISLATURE MUST LOOK AT THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS: TAXING AUTHORITY WITHOUT LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL, DISCRIMINATORY DENIAL OF REFUNDS, UNDISCLOSED USE OF FUNDS, AND THE DOUBLING OF THE LENGTH OF TERMS.

THESE COMMISSION POSITIONS ARE UNLIKE YOUR LEGISLATIVE TERMS WHERE EVERY TWO YEARS, YOU, THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE, HAVE TO RAISE FUNDS, SPEND HOURS CAMPAIGNING AND FINALLY STAND FOR APPROVAL OF YOUR CREDIBILITY TO THE VOTERS.

IT IS DIFFICULT TO RATIONALIZE THE NEED FOR LONGER TERMS FOR GRAIN COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS.

THANK YOU

FOUR POINTS OF KANSAS FARMERS UNION POLICY RELATED TO THESE ISSUES:

COMMODITY CHECK-OFFS

THE MILL LEVY SHALL BE ESTABLISHED BY KANSAS LEGISLATURE.

THE COMMISSION SHALL HONOR ALL REFUND REQUESTS.

THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE GRAIN COMMISSION SHOULD BE TO INCREASE FARMERS INCOME BY PROMOTING QUALITY GRAIN AND VALUE OF THE PRODUCT PER UNIT, AND VOLUME EXPORT SALES AT FAIR AND EQUITABLE PRICES.

TO ENCOURAGE MORE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF THE GRAIN COMMISSION, WE CALL FOR A COMPLETE PUBLIC ACCOUNTING OF ALL EXPENDITURES OF STATE COLLECTED CHECK-OFF TAX ON COMMODITY SALES, INCLUDING ANY PAYMENTS TO ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVING FUNDS FROM THESE COMMODITY COMMISSIONS.

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