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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 39

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

Brief*

SB 39 would change several license, bond, and permit renewal fee deadlines related to livestock and domestic animals from June 30 to September 30 of each year. The bill would also allow the Animal Health Commissioner (Commissioner), Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA), to recover the actual cost of official calfhood vaccination tags. In addition, the bill would make technical changes.

Renewal Fee Deadline Changes

The bill would change the renewal fee deadline for the following licenses, bonds, and permits from June 30 to September 30 of each year:

- Licenses and bonds to operate public livestock markets and electronic auctions (Sections 1 and 2);
- Licenses and permits pertaining to the disposal of dead animals (Section 3);
- Licenses to operate a feedlot (Section 4);
- Licenses to operate as a livestock dealer (Section 5); and
- Permits issued pertaining to the possession of domesticated deer (Section 6).

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

Official Calfhood Vaccination Tags

The bill would authorize the Commissioner to require reimbursement for the actual cost of official calfhood vaccination tags and to charge a processing fee not exceeding \$0.20 per tag. The Commissioner would be required to determine the processing fee on an annual basis.

Effective Date

The bill would be in effect upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources at the request of the KDA.

Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

In the Senate Committee hearing, the Assistant Animal Health Commissioner (Assistant Commissioner), KDA, provided **proponent** testimony, stating the bill would make the renewal date consistent with that of other agency programs. He noted the KDA has been utilizing the September 30 renewal date *via* a budget proviso for several years. The Assistant Commissioner also stated the KDA now offers radio frequency identification (RFID) tags for official calfhood vaccination tags that promote disease traceability. He stated the bill addresses the technology advancement of RFID tags and their associated cost.

No neutral or **opponent** testimony was provided.

The Senate Committee recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Committee on Agriculture

In the House Committee hearing, the Assistant Animal Health Commissioner, KDA, provided **proponent** testimony. No other testimony was provided.

House Committee of the Whole

The House Committee of the Whole amended the bill to decrease the maximum amount the KDA could charge for a tag processing fee from \$0.25 to \$0.20.

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the KDA states a change to the date that annual license fees are paid would have no fiscal effect on the agency. Enactment of the bill would allow the agency to include an administrative fee for shipping and handling charges in the applicable rules and regulations. The agency plans for the administrative fee to be \$0.15 per tag. Based on the number of tags shipped in calendar year 2019, the agency estimates receipts from the shipping and handling charge to be \$940 ($\$0.15 \times 6,265$ tags). This amount would be used to offset current expenditures for shipping. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

Licenses, permits, and registrations; vaccination tags; Division of Animal Health; Kansas Department of Agriculture