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Agriculture 2, Horticulture
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House File 429

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Passed House, Date

Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....

Passed Senate, Date.....

Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....

Approved

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend section one hundred sixty-four point eight (164.8), section one hundred sixty-four point seventeen (164.17), section one hundred sixty-four point eighteen (164.18), section one hundred sixty-four point nineteen (164.19), section one hundred sixty-four point twenty (164.20), section one hundred sixty-four point twenty-one (164.21), and section one hundred sixty-four point twenty-six (164.26), Code 1950, relating to the eradication of Bang's Disease.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. Section one hundred sixty-four point eight
2 (164.8), Code 1950, is amended by striking all of said section
3 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
4 "Reports Required. Each licensed veterinarian, who performs
5 any testing for Bang's Disease (including, but not limited to
6 the taking of blood samples) or the vaccinating of livestock
7 brucellosis (Bang's Disease) or the identifying of reactors
8 or the determining of reactors, shall within fifteen (15) days
9 thereafter make a report of the test, vaccination, identification
10 or determination to the state department of agriculture in the
11 manner prescribed in regulations of that department."

1 Sec. 2. Section one hundred sixty-four point seventeen
2 (164.17), Code 1950, is hereby amended by striking from line
3 two (2) thereof the words “township or”.

1 Sec. 3. Section one hundred sixty-four point eighteen
2 (164.18), Code 1950, is amended by striking all of said section
3 and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “No indemnity
4 shall be paid to any owner of cattle for reactors to the
5 brucellosis (bang’s disease) test. No claim for compensation
6 for cattle destroyed on account of brucellosis (bang’s disease)
7 shall be paid out of funds appropriated by the state or
8 subdivision of the state. Such funds as may be appropriated by
9 the county or the state, as a whole, shall be used for payment
10 of veterinary services for the vaccination of calves against
11 brucellosis in accordance with the provisions of this Act.”

1 Sec. 4. Section one hundred sixty-four point nineteen
2 (164.19), Code 1950, is amended by striking all of said section
3 and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “The department
4 of agriculture is hereby authorized to formulate and promulgate
5 official testing and vaccination plans for the eradication of
6 brucellosis. All such plans shall be approved by the state
7 department of agriculture and recommended by the bureau of
8 animal industry, United States department of agriculture.
9 Whenever sixty (60) percent of the cattle owners in any given
10 county petition the state department of agriculture to commence
11 the vaccination of all calves with brucella abortus vaccine
12 (strain 19), or such other vaccine as may be manufactured under

13 license by the United States department of agriculture, bureau
14 of animal industry, and approved by the state department of
15 agriculture, the state department of agriculture shall furnish
16 the vaccine without charge through approved licensed veterinarians.

17 The state department of agriculture shall furnish strain
18 nineteen (19) abortus vaccine (or other vaccines approved by
19 the state department of agriculture) without cost to owners
20 residing in a county in which the area plan has not been adopted.
21 Said vaccine shall be furnished through an approved licensed
22 veterinarian and the services for the veterinarian administering
23 such vaccine in such counties where the area plan has not been
24 adopted shall be at the owner's expense. Whenever any vaccine
25 containing brucella micro-organisms is purchased by the state,
26 it shall be purchased on a yearly contract basis from the
27 lowest responsible bidder among recognized producers of a
28 vaccine of a type approved by the state department of agriculture
29 and produced under license of the bureau of animal industry of
30 the United States department of agriculture. Cattle owners who
31 are eligible to have calves vaccinated at state expense must
32 place their cattle under official supervision of the department
33 of agriculture in one of the following approved plans:

34 Plan A Test all cattle more than six (6) months of age
35 except steers and slaughter all reactors with
36 no indemnity payment for such reactors;

37 Plan B Test all cattle more than six (6) months of age
38 except steers, slaughter all reactors

39 without indemnity payment and vaccinate calves
40 between four (4) and eight (8) months of age ;
41 Plan C Vaccinate all calves between the ages of four (4)
42 and eight (8) months. The testing of adult
43 animals under this plan is encouraged but
44 optional with the owner.

45 All phases of these official control plans shall be
46 conducted under the supervision of the state department of
47 agriculture.”

1 Sec. 5. Section one hundred sixty-four point twenty
2 (164.20), Code 1950, is amended by striking all of said section
3 and inserting in lieu thereof the following :

4 “The department shall, within the limits of appropriations,
5 provide vaccine and the administration and distribution thereof,
6 under this Act, free of charge, in accordance with the
7 provisions of this Act; providing, however, that no cost of
8 caring for or handling livestock under this Act shall be borne
9 by the state. The state department of agriculture may authorize
10 the payment of not to exceed one dollar (\$1.00) per head to
11 approved licensed veterinarians employed to administer the
12 vaccine under this Act.”

1 Sec. 6. Section one hundred sixty-four point twenty-one
2 (164.21), Code 1950, is hereby amended by striking from line
3 five (5) the word “indemnity” and substituting in lieu thereof
4 the word “vaccination”.

1 Sec. 7. Section one hundred sixty-four point twenty-six

2 (164.26), Code 1950, is amended by striking all of said section
3 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

4 "Payment of claims for veterinary service. All claims
5 presented under authority of this Act shall be certified by the
6 department and filed with the county auditor, who shall present
7 said claims to the board of supervisors and such board shall
8 allow and pay same as other claims against the county."

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 429

The present test and slaughter program to control bang's disease in cattle has not proven to be a satisfactory method of control.

This bill would eliminate the indemnity payments and provide in lieu thereof calfhood vaccination programs. The money now collected in the counties to pay indemnity claims would be used to pay the veterinary services for administering Strain 19 in a calfhood vaccination program. The state would furnish the vaccine out of funds already appropriated to the department of agriculture.