SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2451

As Recommended by House Committee on Agriculture

Brief*

HB 2451 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. Finally, 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

*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
- Permits issued pertaining to the possession of domesticated deer (Section 6).

**Official Calfhood Vaccination Tags**

The bill would allow the Commissioner to require reimbursement for the actual cost of official calfhood vaccination tags and charge a processing fee not to exceed $0.25. The Commissioner would be required to determine the processing fee annually.

**Background**

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Agriculture at the request of the KDA.

In the House Committee hearing, the Assistant Animal Health Commissioner of KDA provided proponent testimony, stating the bill would make the renewal date consistent with other agency programs. He noted the KDA has been utilizing the September 30 renewal via a budget proviso. The Assistant Animal Health Commissioner also stated the KDA now offers radio frequency identification tags for official calfhood vaccination tags that promote disease traceability. He stated, currently, the KDA does not have the statutory authority to recover the cost for such tags. No neutral or opponent testimony was provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the KDA indicates enactment of the bill would result in $6,105 of additional revenue annually to the Animal Disease Control Fund. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor’s Budget Report*. 

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