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April 19, 2012

The Honorable Matt Schultz  
Secretary of State of Iowa  
State Capitol Building  
LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

Senate File 2311, an Act revising provisions affecting the administration of the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, including associated regulations and licensing, as it relates to biofuels, weather and market information, internet publications, soil and water conservation, feed, vaccinations, tuberculosis, brucellosis, classical swine fever, Johne's disease, treatment for sheep, branding, manufactured articles, grain, pesticides, coal mining, and weights and measures, making penalties applicable, and including applicability provisions.

The above Senate File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Terry E. Branstad".

Terry E. Branstad  
Governor

cc: Secretary of the Senate  
Clerk of the House



Senate File 2311

AN ACT

REVISING PROVISIONS AFFECTING THE ADMINISTRATION OF  
THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP,  
INCLUDING ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS AND LICENSING, AS IT  
RELATES TO BIOFUELS, WEATHER AND MARKET INFORMATION,  
INTERNET PUBLICATIONS, SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION, FEED,  
VACCINATIONS, TUBERCULOSIS, BRUCELLOSIS, CLASSICAL SWINE  
FEVER, JOHNE'S DISEASE, TREATMENT FOR SHEEP, BRANDING,  
MANUFACTURED ARTICLES, GRAIN, PESTICIDES, COAL MINING, AND  
WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, MAKING PENALTIES APPLICABLE, AND  
INCLUDING APPLICABILITY PROVISIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

DIVISION I  
GENERAL

Section 1. Section 159.2, subsection 1, Code 2011, is amended to read as follows:

1. To encourage, promote, and advance the interests of agriculture, including horticulture, livestock industry,

dairying, cheese making, poultry raising, biofuels, beekeeping, production of wool, production of domesticated fur-bearing animals, and other kindred and allied industries.

Sec. 2. Section 159.5, subsection 4, Code 2011, is amended to read as follows:

4. Maintain a weather ~~division~~ bureau which shall, in cooperation with the national weather service, collect and disseminate weather and phenological statistics and meteorological data, and promote knowledge of meteorology, phenology, and climatology of the state. The ~~division~~ bureau shall be headed by the state climatologist who shall be appointed by the secretary of agriculture, and shall be an officer of the national weather service, if one is detailed for that purpose by the federal government.

Sec. 3. Section 159.5, subsection 5, Code 2011, is amended by striking the subsection.

Sec. 4. Section 159.5, subsection 7, Code 2011, is amended to read as follows:

7. ~~Maintain a division of agricultural statistics, which shall, in cooperation~~ Cooperate with the United States department of agriculture statistical reporting service, to gather, compile, and publish statistical information concerning the condition and progress of crops, the production of crops, livestock, livestock products, poultry, and other such related agricultural statistics, as will generally promote knowledge of the agricultural industry in the state of Iowa. The statistics, when published, constitute official agricultural statistics for the state of Iowa. ~~The division is in the charge of an administrator, who shall be appointed by the secretary of agriculture and who shall be an officer of the United States department of agriculture statistical reporting service, if one is detailed for that purpose by the federal government.~~

Sec. 5. Section 159.5, subsection 8, Code 2011, is amended to read as follows:

8. Establish and maintain a marketing news service ~~division~~ bureau in the department which shall, in cooperation with the federal market news and grading division of the United States department of agriculture, collect and disseminate data and information relative to the market prices and conditions of agricultural products raised, produced, and handled in the state. ~~The division is in the charge of an administrator, who shall be appointed by the secretary of agriculture and shall be~~