
SENATE BILL 5659

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By Senator Morton

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1 AN ACT Relating to the beef commission; and amending RCW 16.67.040
2 and 16.67.051.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 16.67.040 and 1993 c 40 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 There is hereby created a Washington state beef commission to be
7 thus known and designated. The commission shall be composed of ~~((one))~~
8 two beef producers, ~~((one))~~ two dairy (beef) producers, ~~((one))~~ two
9 feeders, one livestock salesyard operator, and one meat packer. The
10 member that is elected as chair shall be a nonvoting member. In
11 addition there will be one ex officio member without the right to vote
12 from the department of agriculture to be designated by the director
13 thereof.

14 A majority of voting members shall constitute a quorum for the
15 transaction of any business.

16 All appointed members as stated in RCW 16.67.060 shall be citizens
17 and residents of this state, over the age of twenty-five years, each of
18 whom is and has been actually engaged in that phase of the cattle
19 industry he or she represents for a period of five years, and has

1 during that period derived a substantial portion of his or her income
2 therefrom, or have a substantial investment in cattle as an owner,
3 lessee, partner, or a stockholder owning at least ten percent of the
4 voting stock in a corporation engaged in the production of cattle or
5 dressed beef, or a manager or executive officer of such corporation.
6 Producer members of the commission shall not be directly engaged in the
7 business of being a meat packer, or as a feeder, feeding cattle other
8 than their own. Said qualifications must continue throughout each
9 member's term of office.

10 **Sec. 2.** RCW 16.67.051 and 1993 c 40 s 3 are each amended to read
11 as follows:

12 Commencing on July 1, 1993, the appointive positions on the
13 commission shall be designated as follows: The beef producers shall be
14 designated position one and position six; the dairy (beef) producers
15 shall be designated position two and position seven; the feeders shall
16 be designated position three and position eight; the livestock
17 salesyard operator shall be designated position four; and the meat
18 packer shall be designated position five.

19 The initial terms of positions one and four shall terminate July 1,
20 1994; positions two and five shall terminate July 1, 1995; and position
21 three shall terminate July 1, 1996. The initial terms of position six
22 shall terminate July 1, 1998; position seven shall terminate July 1,
23 1999; and position eight shall terminate July 1, 2000. The regular
24 term of office of subsequent appointees shall be three years from the
25 date of appointment and until their successors are appointed.

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