

2015-2016 AFDO COMMITTEE CHARGES

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Charge 1: Track federal food safety legislation which may impact federal/state food protection agencies. The primary focus should be on following new proposed legislation, evaluating whether it includes an integrated strategy for working with the states, and alerting membership of new proposals which are being considered.

Discussion:

Recommendations:

Executive Committee Action:

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Charge 2: Solicit states for bill analyses as requested by President for emerging issues such as: trans fat bans, labeling of meat or milk from cloned animals, RBST labeling, nanotechnology labeling, farmers market and cottage food bills, smoking bans, or any other trend in legislative attention. Analyze the annual NCSL report and prepare and disseminate information (such as in the AFDO News) on trends in state laws.

Discussion:

Recommendations:

Executive Committee Action:

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Charge 3: Develop strategies to implement recommendations from the IFT white paper on date labeling.

Discussion:

Recommendations:

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Charge 4: Work with AFDO staff in reviewing and updating the Uniform State, Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act to assure it contains necessary provisions necessary to perform on-farm inspection activities.

Discussion:

Recommendations:

Executive Committee Action:

**Responsible for submission of reports*

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Charge 5: Coordinate webinars on emerging legal issues of importance to state food safety programs.

Discussion:

Recommendations:

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