

AN ACT concerning State government.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by changing Section 5-525 as follows:

(20 ILCS 5/5-525) (was 20 ILCS 5/6.01)

Sec. 5-525. In the Department of Agriculture.

(a) (Blank).

(b) An Advisory Board of Livestock Commissioners to consist of 25 persons. The Board shall consist of the administrator of animal disease programs, the Dean of the College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences of the University of Illinois, the Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine of the University of Illinois, and, commencing on January 1, 1990, the Deans or Chairmen of the Colleges or Departments of Agriculture of Illinois State University, Southern Illinois University, and Western Illinois University in that order who shall each serve for 1 year terms, provided that, commencing on January 1, 1993, such terms shall be for 2 years in the same order, the Director of Public Health, the Director of Natural Resources, the Chairperson of the Agriculture and Conservation Committee of the Senate, and the Chairperson of the Agriculture & Conservation Committee of the

House of Representatives, who shall be ex-officio members of the Board, and 17 additional persons, appointed by the Governor to serve at the Governor's pleasure, who are interested in the well-being of domestic animals and poultry and in the prevention, elimination, and control of diseases affecting them. Of the 17 additional persons, one shall be a representative of breeders of beef cattle, one shall be a representative of breeders of dairy cattle, one shall be a representative of breeders of dual purpose cattle, one shall be a representative of breeders of swine, one shall be a representative of poultry breeders, one shall be a representative of sheep breeders, one shall be a veterinarian licensed in this State, one shall be a representative of general or diversified farming, one shall be a representative of deer or elk breeders, one shall be a representative of livestock auction markets, one shall be a representative of cattle feeders, one shall be a representative of pork producers, one shall be a representative of the State licensed meat packers, one shall be a representative of canine breeders, one shall be a representative of equine breeders, one shall be a representative of the Illinois licensed renderers, and one shall be a representative of livestock dealers. An appointed member's office becomes vacant upon the member's absence from 3 consecutive meetings. Appointments made by the Governor after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly shall be for a term of 5 years. The members of the

Board shall receive no compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties. In the appointment of the Advisory Board of Livestock Commissioners, the Governor shall consult with representative persons and recognized organizations in the respective fields concerning the appointments.

Rules and regulations of the Department of Agriculture pertaining to the well-being of domestic animals and poultry and the prevention, elimination, and control of diseases affecting them shall be submitted to the Advisory Board of Livestock Commissioners for approval at its duly called meeting. The chairperson of the Board shall certify the official minutes of the Board's action and shall file the certified minutes with the Department of Agriculture within 30 days after the proposed rules and regulations are submitted and before they are promulgated and made effective. In the event it is deemed desirable, the Board may hold hearings upon the rules and regulations or proposed revisions. The Board members shall be familiar with the Acts relating to the well-being of domestic animals and poultry and to the prevention, elimination, and control of diseases affecting them. The Department shall, upon the request of a Board member, advise the Board concerning the administration of the respective Acts.

The Director of Agriculture or his or her representative from the Department shall act as chairperson of the Board. The Director shall call annual ~~semiannual~~ meetings of the Board and

may call other meetings of the Board as deemed necessary ~~from time to time or when requested by 3 or more appointed members of the Board~~. A quorum of appointed members must be present to convene an official meeting. The chairperson and ex-officio members shall not be included in a quorum call. Ex-officio members may be represented by a duly authorized representative from their department, division, college, or committee; however, that representative may not exercise the voting privileges of the ex-officio member. Appointed members shall not be represented at a meeting by another person. Ex-officio members and appointed members shall have the right to vote on all proposed rules and regulations; voting that in effect would pertain to approving rules and regulations shall be taken by an oral roll call. No member shall vote by proxy. The chairman shall not vote except in the case of a tie vote. Any ex-officio or appointed member may ask for and shall receive an oral roll call on any motion before the Board. The Department shall provide a clerk to take minutes of the meetings and record transactions of the Board. The Board, by oral roll call, may require an official court reporter to record the minutes of the meetings.

(Source: P.A. 96-1025, eff. 7-12-10.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.