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HB4820 AS PASSED BY THE SENATE

Committee: AGRICULTURE AND RESOURCE

Sponsor: Rep. Tom Meyer

MANAGEMENT

Analyst(s): Aben, Tim Completed: 12/12/01

State Fiscal Impact Local Fiscal Impact

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This bill would consolidate a number of old laws together into a more comprehensive act with a uniform set of definitions and standards.

The major component of this act is adoption of the federal Pasteurized Milk Ordinance. Currently, the 1993 edition is in effect; the 2001 version is scheduled to be incorporated before action on the federal law is completed. Other key areas of this bill include the following:

- * Requires that bovine milk must be picked up from the farm within 72 hours to increase freshness and maintain quality
- * Provides for a drug residue avoidance control measures program; institutes record keeping and testing requirements for violators; and increases penalties for drug residues found in milk.
- * Clarifies requirements on handling of milk from a bovine TB reactor cow.
- * Provides greater oversight over facilities where milk tank trucks are cleaned.
- * Expands the enforcement options for violations.

Revenues from proposed fees net a slight reduction in overall revenue from what is currently collected, and fines and fees from courts for violation of this act are indeterminate, dependant upon the number and types of violations.