

HCS HB 251 -- SALE OF MILK

SPONSOR: Wright (Cunningham)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Special Committee on Emerging Issues in Animal Agriculture by a vote of 11 to 0.

This substitute specifies that a cooperative association providing economic benefits and services to its members for the purchase of milk products is not a violation of Section 416.440, RSMo, the Unfair Milk Sales Practices Act.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2010, FY 2011, and FY 2012.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill makes a needed clarification of the Missouri Unfair Milk Sales Practices Act. The bill does not change other provisions of the act.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Cunningham; Steve Arnold, Sr., Associated Wholesale Grocers; and David Shaw, Missouri Grocers' Association.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.