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Who is AAFCO? And Why Should I Care?

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Who is AFIA?

- Represents the business, legislative and regulatory interests of the U.S. feed industry and its suppliers
- > 650 members
- Membership= 75% of the commercial feed in the U.S.
- Membership = 70% of the non-grain ingredients

AFIA members include:

- Ingredient Suppliers
- Feed Manufacturers
- Pet Food Manufacturers
- Equipment Manufacturers
- Renderers
- Industry Support
- Associations
- Educational Institutions
- Pharmaceuticals
- Media

The Players

- Association of American Feed Control Officials (AAFCO)
- State feed control officials
- U.S. Food & Drug Administration
 - Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM)

AAFCO

- Not a regulatory body
- The association for state regulatory agencies governing feed, feed ingredients and pet food
- AAFCO has the model bill/regulations, ingredient definition process, *Official Publication*
- AAFCO sets the tone for state regulation
- www.aafco.org
- AFIA/AAFCO 109 years of unbroken meetings



AAFCO

- Goals:
 - Safeguarding the health of animals and humans
 - Ensure consumer protection
 - Providing a level playing field of orderly commerce for the animal feed industry.
- How:
 - by developing and implementing uniform and equitable laws, regulations, standards, definitions and enforcement policies for regulating the manufacture, labeling, distribution and sale of animal feeds - resulting in safe, effective and useful feeds by promoting uniformity amongst member agencies.

AAFCO

- Committees
 - Current Issues and Outreach
 - Inspection and Sampling
 - Model Bill and Regulations
 - Feed and Feed Ingredient Manufacturing
 - Ingredient Definitions
 - Feed Labeling
 - Pet Food
 - Education and Training
 - Strategic Affairs
 - Proficiency Testing
 - Laboratory Methods and Services



State Feed Control Officials

- State departments of agriculture, state chemists, environment and others
- Regulatory services within the land grant university system
 - ex. Kentucky Regulatory Services: University of Kentucky, Office of the Texas State Chemist: Texas A&M University, Office of the Indiana State Chemist: Purdue University
- Follow state feed law and regulations
- Inspect facilities, review labels, tonnage reporting, sampling, enforcement actions

State Feed Control Officials

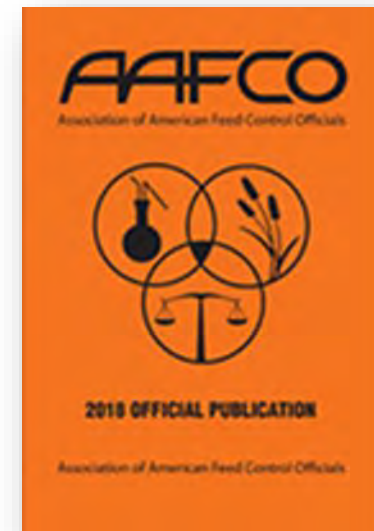
- All states except Alaska – commercial feed law and regulations
- Almost all adopt a version of the AAFCO Model Bill and Regulations
- Laws/regulations generally uniform, but exceptions
 - Become familiar with state of interest
 - Watch for changes
- AAFCO state requirements/find feed control official
 - <http://www.aafco.org/Regulatory>

Ingredients

- Food = Feed in federal law
- Approved for humans ≠ approved for animals
- Ingredients must be approved:
 - Food additive (FAP)
 - Generally Recognized as Safe (GRAS)
 - AAFCO *Official Publication*
 - Common or usual name
 - Ingredient definition
- States will review labels to ensure ingredient is approved
- FSMA: unapproved food additives = chemical hazard

AAFCO Ingredient Definitions

- State laws:
 - Common or usual name
 - Defined in the *Official Publication* of AAFCO, or
 - Defined by the Commissioner/Director in the state
- FDA conducts safety review
- Definitions and feed terms



Ingredient Approvals

- Speed of Approvals is slow
- Survey shows \$1.75 million in lost revenue for every year of delay in approval
- AFIA priority to improve review processes
 - Submission quality
 - Resources for FDA-CVM
 - AAFCO process
- IFIF Convergence project for EU-Canada-U.S. submission requirements

THANK YOU

AFIA'S UPDATED 4 PROMISES



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