

STATE OF MINNESOTA BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH

In the Matter of the Proposed amendment to Rules
of the Board of Animal Health
Governing Part 1700.2700 Importation of Swine and
Part 1715.0760 State-Federal Approved Markets for Swine

STATEMENT OF NEED
AND REASONABLENESS

The Minnesota Board of Animal Health has authority under MS § 35.03 to make rules to protect the health of domestic animals of the state.

The purpose of this amendment is to eliminate the requirement for certificate of veterinary inspection and permit for movement of feeder pigs from farms of origin in adjacent States to State-Federal Approved Swine Markets. The intent of the amendment is to facilitate normal marketing for feeder pig producers near the State border.

The proposed amendment is consistent with the Code of Federal Regulations relating to interstate movement of swine.

Feeder pig producers in the trade area of markets located in close proximity to state borders are handicapped because a certificate of veterinary inspection is required prior to movement to the market. The expense to the feeder pig producer would be considerable because a veterinarian would be required to make a trip to the farm of origin. For small groups of feeder pigs the cost would be prohibitive.

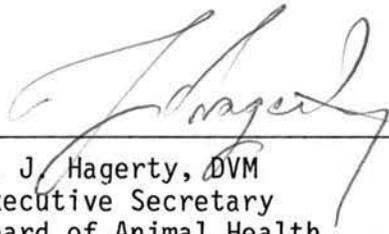
The Board believes that the chance of spreading pseudorabies would not be any greater than at present because the same requirements for disease free and test status would be met and inspection would be made by a market veterinarian upon arrival of the State-Federal swine market.

For purposes of compliance with MS §14.11 the Board estimates that there will be no expenditure of money by local public bodies and there will not be any adverse impact on agricultural land in Minnesota.

With respect to MS §14.115 as it relates to the impact on small business, the Board has determined that this rule will not have any material effect on small business.

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Date



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