

## Session 116 - (2005-2006)

**H 3355 General Bill, By Duncan, Witherspoon, Frye, M.A. Pitts, G.R. Smith, McLeod, Ott, Walker, Vick, Whipper and Clark**

**Similar (S 0336)**

**Summary:** Dairy Stabilization Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 34 TO TITLE 39 SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA DAIRY STABILIZATION ACT", TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA MILK BOARD, TO PROVIDE FOR ITS MEMBERS, PROCEDURES FOR THEIR APPOINTMENT AND FOR THEIR POWERS AND DUTIES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE BOARD'S PRIMARY DUTY IS TO ESTABLISH A FAIR MARKET BREAKEVEN PRICE FOR PRODUCERS OF MILK AND EXERCISE GENERAL SUPERVISION OVER THE MILK INDUSTRY IN THIS STATE; TO PROVIDE THAT THE BOARD MUST BE LOCATED IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATIONS AND MEDIATE AND ARBITRATE MILK DISPUTES, TO ISSUE RULES, ORDERS, AND FAIR MARKET BREAKEVEN MILK PRICES, TO SPECIFY CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH FEES MAY BE COLLECTED WHEN MILK DROPS BELOW THE FAIR MARKET BREAKEVEN PRICE SET BY THE BOARD, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISBURSAL OF THESE FEES; TO REQUIRE LICENSURE IN ORDER TO OPERATE AS A MILK BUYER; TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD TO DEVELOP A SYSTEM OF ACCOUNTING FOR BUYERS OF MILK AND TO SANCTION THOSE BUYERS WHO DO NOT USE THE SYSTEM; TO PROVIDE FOR ASSESSMENTS ON MILK PRODUCED IN THIS STATE TO PAY THE EXPENSES OF THE BOARD; TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS CHAPTER; AND TO REPEAL THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER ON JULY 1, 2012.

01/25/05	House	Introduced and read first time HJ-9
01/25/05	House	Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs HJ-10
01/26/05	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: McLeod, Ott
02/09/05	House	Committee report: Favorable Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs HJ-5
02/10/05	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Walker
02/15/05	House	Requests for debate-Rep(s). Altman, Scarborough, Phillips, Anthony, FN Smith, Littlejohn, Limehouse, Weeks, Thompson, Hosey, Mack, J Brown, Ott, Merrill, Frye, Witherspoon, and Bales HJ-21
02/17/05	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Vick, Whipper
02/17/05	House	Debate interrupted HJ-20
02/23/05	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Clark
02/23/05	House	Read second time HJ-28
02/23/05	House	Roll call Yeas-66 Nays-47 HJ-39
02/24/05	House	Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-37
03/01/05	Senate	Introduced and read first time SJ-4
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