

LEGISLATIVE BILL 219

Approved by the Governor March 20, 2003

Introduced by Erdman, 47; Louden, 49; Smith, 48

AN ACT relating to agriculture; to amend sections 2-3745 and 2-3748, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the Dry Bean Commission; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 2-3745, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

2-3745. There is hereby created the Dry Bean Commission which shall be composed of nine members, two of whom shall be selected by the commission and seven of whom shall be appointed by the Governor. ~~with the consent of the Legislature.~~ Six members shall be growers who (1) are citizens of Nebraska, (2) are at least twenty-one years of age, (3) have actually been engaged in growing dry beans in this state for at least three years, and (4) derive a substantial portion of their income from growing dry beans. Three members shall be dry bean processors who have been in business in Nebraska for at least three years, and the Director of the University of Nebraska Panhandle Research and Extension Center shall be an ex officio member but shall have no vote in commission matters.

Sec. 2. Section 2-3748, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

2-3748. (1) The initial term of office for members of the commission shall be as follows: Two district members and one processor shall be appointed for one year; one district member, one processor, and one member at large selected by the commission shall be appointed for two years; and one district member, one processor, and one member at large selected by the commission shall be appointed for three years.

(2) Except for the persons appointed to the initial commission, the term of a member shall be three years. No member shall serve more than ~~two~~ three consecutive three-year terms.

Sec. 3. Original sections 2-3745 and 2-3748, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.

Sec. 4. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when passed and approved according to law.