

# House Bill 2255

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## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Authorizes State Department of Agriculture to adopt recommended or required practices for ensuring safety of milk, fluid milk or dairy products. Removes prohibition on suspending use of fluid milk grade designation due to first violation of laws regulating dairy industry.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to dairy industry products; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 621.058 and 621.073.

2 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

3 **SECTION 1.** ORS 621.058 is amended to read:

4 621.058. (1) The State Department of Agriculture shall establish by rule, as provided in ORS  
5 chapter 183, official state grades and standards of quality applicable to all milk, fluid milk and dairy  
6 products.  
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8 (2) The grades and standards for milk, fluid milk and dairy products may from time to time be  
9 changed by the department as provided in subsection (1) of this section.

10 **(3) The department may adopt by rule recommended or required practices for ensuring**  
11 **the safety or marketability of milk, fluid milk or dairy products. The rules may include, but**  
12 **need not be limited to, the adoption by reference, in modified or unmodified form, of any**  
13 **model ordinances, practices or requirements used by the federal government or multistate**  
14 **organizations of milk shippers.**

15 **SECTION 2.** ORS 621.073 is amended to read:

16 621.073. (1) In addition to the powers conferred on the State Department of Agriculture under  
17 ORS 621.018, 621.060, 621.072, 621.076, 621.083 and 621.226, the department may suspend the privilege  
18 of any person to use a grade designation on containers of fluid milk produced or distributed by the  
19 person. The power of suspension may be exercised by the department for any violation of ORS  
20 621.062, 621.070, 621.072, 621.076, 621.084, 621.088, 621.117, 621.122 (7), 621.226 or 621.259, standards  
21 adopted under ORS 621.060, 621.083 or 621.224 or any department rules.

22 (2) A suspension shall not exceed 10 days except that, before lifting the suspension, the depart-  
23 ment shall ensure that the violation causing the suspension has been corrected.

24 *[(3) A suspension shall not be imposed for a violation unless the violator has previously committed*  
25 *the same violation and the department has, within the six months immediately preceding the violation*  
26 *for which the suspension is imposed, provided written notification to the violator that another violation*  
27 *of the same character would be grounds for suspension. The notice of suspension shall be in writing*  
28 *and shall state length of the suspension and the reason for the suspension.]*

29 *[(4)]* **(3)** The provisions of ORS 183.413 to 183.470 do not apply to suspensions imposed under  
30 authority of this section, although appeal shall be in the manner provided by ORS 183.484, 183.486,

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 183.490 and 183.497. This subsection shall not deprive a person of the right to present any defense  
2 to a criminal prosecution instituted for violation of ORS 621.062, 621.070, 621.072, 621.076, 621.084,  
3 621.088, 621.117, 621.122 (7), 621.226 or 621.259, nor shall it deprive a person of the right to a  
4 declaratory judgment.

5 **SECTION 3. The amendments to ORS 621.073 by section 2 of this 2017 Act apply to vio-**  
6 **lations that occur on or after the effective date of this 2017 Act.**

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