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TO: EAIC
FROM: Bart Campbell
RE: August 2010 Rule Review

Dept. of Agriculture

Amending one rule to ban the sale of Russian olive trees as an invasive plant.

Amending several rules relating to fertilizer regulations to conform with 2009 legislation that was intended to more closely follow national model regulations and promote uniformity among the states.

Dept. of Labor and Industry

Amending numerous rules relating to collective bargaining proceedings heard by the Board of Labor Appeals. The bulk of the proposed amendments reflect clarifications and additions that help clarify the existing functions or are technical and nonsubstantive in nature such as renumbering and eliminating redundancies.

Dept. of Livestock

Amending one rule pertaining to transfer of milk quotas to give producers more time to submit quota transfers to the Milk Control Bureau and to repeal the 6-month requirement to hold a quota before it can be transferred after it is purchased.

The Board of Horse Racing is proposing to amend two rules to allow a horse 7 years old or older to run as a maiden if the horse has run within the past year and is healthy enough to run.