

House Concurrent Resolution No. 22

91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1910L.021

1 **Whereas**, in 1955, the Missouri Brucellosis Control and Eradication Law, sections
2 267.470 to 267.550, RSMo, was enacted by the Missouri General Assembly to suppress, control and
3 eradicate bovine brucellosis in this state; and
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5 **Whereas**, as part of the state's attempt to suppress, control and eradicate bovine brucellosis
6 in this state, a certification process was established which included the herd designation of a "certified
7 brucellosis free herd"; and
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9 **Whereas**, more than forty-five years after the passage of the Missouri Brucellosis Control
10 and Eradication Law, not every herd of cattle in the state of Missouri has attained the designation of a
11 certified brucellosis free herd; and
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13 **Whereas**, all cattle eight months of age or over must pass a negative test for brucellosis
14 within thirty days of the transportation of such cattle within or outside the state; and
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16 **Whereas**, the economic progress of the cattle industry in this state depends on the ability
17 of cattle producers to buy, sell and exchange cattle both intrastate and interstate; and
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19 **Whereas**, the department of agriculture should be aggressive in the use and utilization of
20 the resources available to the department to reach a brucellosis free status for the entire state, without
21 requiring new vaccinations:
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23 **Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the members of the House of
24 Representatives of the Ninety-first General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate concurring
25 therein, hereby direct the department of agriculture to be more aggressive in its attempts to suppress,
26 control and eradicate bovine brucellosis in this state and reach a statewide brucellosis free status; and

27 **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
28 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the director of
29 the department of agriculture.