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April 26, 2022

Chair Callender called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.

Deputy Director Greg Fouche called the roll. Representatives Callender, Hillyer, Stewart, Boggs, Skindell, and Senators Lang, and Craig, were in attendance. Senator Kunze was substituting for Senator Gavarone. Senator Williams and Senator Schuring were excused from the meeting. The chair asked the Committee members to review the March 8th minutes. The minutes were approved as presented.

Director Wolpert read the No Change Agenda. The Chair called for questions or comments on the No Change Agenda. There were no questions or comments from the Committee or public. Director Wolpert read the Regular Agenda. Rule 901:1-6-08 of item three on the Regular Agenda was moved to the review portion of the agenda. The Chair called for questions or comments on the items other than rule 901:1-6-08 on the Regular Agenda. There were no questions or comments from the Committee or public. Chairman Callender temporarily recessed the Committee at 11:09 a.m.

Chairman Callender called the meeting back to order at 11:10 a.m. to discuss the review portion of the agenda. Chairman Callender called Vicki Deisner, Animal Welfare Institute to provide opponent testimony on 901:1-6-08. Representatives Skindell, Callender and Stewart had questions and comments for Ms. Deisner regarding her concerns with the lack of clarity for language in the rule regarding background checks of high-volume commercial dog breeders.

Chairman Callender called Dr. Joanna Reen, Ohio Animal Advocates to provide opponent testimony on 901: 1-6-08. Chairman Callender had a question for Dr. Reen regarding her requested changes to 901:1-6-08. Chairman Callender called Ms. Lilah Foley, Ms. Carli Frey and Ms. Nandita Gaddam with The Ohio State University; The John Glenn College of Public Affairs. Each witness voiced support for the comments presented by Ms. Deisner and Dr. Reen. There were no questions for the witnesses.

Chairman Callender called Jacquie Keller-Potvin from ODA to answer member questions and respond to the presented public testimony on Regular Agenda item three. Representatives Stewart and Skindell had questions and comments about guidance in the rule on background checks for Ms. Keller-Potvin. Chairman Callender requested that ODA provide more clarity in the rule. ODA agreed to TBR rule 901:1-6-08 and work to address the concerns raised.

The Chair reminded the committee that the next JCARR meeting is on Monday, March 16th at 1:30pm.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

You may watch the April 26th JCARR meeting at https://www.ohiochannel.org/collections/ohio-joint-committee-on-agency-rule-review.

Sen. Theresa Gavarone, Chair

Larry Wolpert, Director