

ANALYSIS OF SB 5353

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Expressly authorizes the Dairy Products Commission to participate in federal and state regulatory activities and to conduct educational activities for the dairy industry regarding them.

BACKGROUND:

The Washington State Dairy Products Commission is an agricultural commodity commission that has been created directly by statute. (RCW 15.44.020.) Among the authorities of the Commission are: conducting scientific research designed to improve milk production, quality, transportation, processing, and distribution; and developing uses and markets for dairy products and promoting their sale. (RCW 15.44.060.)

SUMMARY:

The Commission is expressly authorized to:

- participate in federal and state agency proceedings regarding the regulation of the production, manufacture, distribution, sale, or use of dairy products,
- provide educational meetings and seminars for the dairy industry on these matters, and
- expend commission funds for these activities.

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