

I SUPPORT [SB 57]...Oregon has been declared Brucellosis free. Cattlemen on Idaho border remain vigilant.

<https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/SB57/Introduced>

[SB 57] has Testimonies from Baker, Harney and Jackson and Yamhill Counties.

Elk populations carry *Brucella abortus* and are problematic animals in several Oregon counties but pose an ongoing risk to Oregon Counties bordering Idaho. Elk also destroy pasturelands and eat hay for cattle.

[SB 630 (2021)]: <https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2021R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/SB630/Introduced>
<https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2021R1/Downloads/PublicTestimonyDocument/9494>
<https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2021R1/Downloads/PublicTestimonyDocument/8405>
<https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2021R1/Downloads/PublicTestimonyDocument/10320>

[SB 637 (2021)]: <https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2021R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/SB637/Introduced>
<https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2021R1/Downloads/PublicTestimonyDocument/10321>

** Should an increase and significant price reduction in "Elk tags" during hunting season be an acceptable solution?

**The cost of vaccination of cattle herds can be significant. Federal Law only permits Licensed Veterinarians to perform the vaccinations due to the pathogenicity of the vaccine to humans.

Feral swine [*Brucella suis*] may be a "rare" problem. "Pig-Hunters" must be educated in safety precautions for themselves and not infect their herds (if they have any).

https://www.dfw.state.or.us/conservationstrategy/invasive_species/docs/Felal_Swine_Brochure.pdf

Sheep and Goat [*Brucella melitensis*]

<https://www.oregon.gov/oda/shared/Documents/Publications/AnimalHealth/BrucellaMelitensis.pdf>

The zoonotic aspects of, [*Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis*] is a topic for the Agriculture Department to monitor to address the number of "cottage industries" arising from "Hobby Farms." The "backyard" dairies might become a source of [*Brucella abortus*]. Sheep, goat and swine "Backyard producers" must take precautions for [*B. melitensis* and *B. suis*].

In this [2023 Regular session] of the Legislature, [SB 507 (2023)] is A-Engrossed, permitting unpasteurized milk and milk products [from cow, goats and sheep] to be "Directly marketed" to grocery stores, Farmer's Markets et cetera.

Read: <https://www.oregon.gov/oda/programs/foodsafety/fslicensing/pages/dairy.aspx>

The Good News is found in:

<https://www.oregon.gov/oda/shared/Documents/Publications/AnimalHealth/VetAccreditationBook.pdf> [Pages 29-31]

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