

Food Service Advisory Committee
Biennial Legislative Report

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Introduction

The Food Service Advisory Committee (FSAC) is authorized by Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 624.045. The mission of the FSAC is to assist and advise the Food Borne Illness Prevention Program in achieving its goals; represent the Committee's constituencies; and ensure food safety and the protection of Oregon's citizens. The Committee is comprised of 12 to 15 members representing the food service industry, state and federal regulatory officials, consumers, educators, and dietitians.

ORS 624.045 requires the FSAC to submit a biennial report to the Legislative Assembly and the Department of Human Services (DHS) on the implementation of ORS 624.020, 624.060, 624.495, and 624.510, all of which relate to the licensing and regulation of food service facilities. This document is the 2005-2007 Biennial Report of the FSAC.

Recommendations

The Committee makes no recommendations relating to these Oregon Revised Statutes:

- ORS 624.020: License application, fee payment, denial, suspension, revocation, posting, and nontransferability;
- ORS 624.060: Inspection and reinspection schedule of restaurants and bed and breakfast facilities; posting of required notices regarding compliance;
- ORS 624.085: License revocation, suspension, or refusal; facility closure; minimum acceptable sanitation score; inspection schedule;
- ORS 624.495: Food Borne illness prevention program; consultation with groups representing local health officials and statewide restaurant associations in the development of rules; and
- ORS 624.510: Intergovernmental agreements with local public health authorities; fee collection and remittance for coverage of administration and enforcement costs; rules.

Accomplishments

The Committee accomplished the following during the 2005-07 biennium:

- The committee spent several meetings developing a long-range approach to the activities of the Foodborne Illness Prevention Program. The FSAC developed the following Vision and Mission statements and primary goal:
 - **Vision** – To eliminate foodborne illness in Oregon.
 - **Mission** – The Food Service Advisory Committee will provide leadership in the field of food safety by 1) assisting and advising the Foodborne Illness Prevention Program in establishing and achieving goals; 2) representing our constituencies; and 3) communicating with stakeholders.
 - **Primary Goal** – Reduce the rate of occurrence of foodborne illness risk factors in food service facilities.
- To help achieve the primary goal, the FSAC recommended that the Foodborne Illness Prevention Program focus on the following areas over the next three years:
 - **Manager Certification** – By June 30, 2009, The Foodborne Illness Prevention Program will have achieved the standard of 90% of food managers with Food Manager Certification.
 - **Focus Inspections on Risk** – By June 30, 2009, the State will ensure that inspections will focus on facilities that pose the greatest risk of foodborne illness.
 - **Communication** – By June 30, 2009 the State will have implemented effective methods of communicating food safety information.
- Several members of the FSAC participated in the Food Safety/Food Security Conference in February 2005. The attendees discussed the draft statewide food emergency response plan and the status of food security activities in Oregon.
- A Food Defense Subcommittee was established to help develop protocols and procedures relating to emergency response in food service facilities. The subcommittee reports directly to the FSAC and several members of the committee serve as members.
- The committee revised the FSAC operational guidelines. These guidelines serve as informal “by-laws” under which the committee operates. The guidelines were revised in response to legislative changes that occurred in the 2003 Legislative Session.

Action Steps 2007-08

The Foodborne Illness Prevention Program is in the process of forming a workgroup to make recommendations on the action steps identified by the Food Service Advisory Committee. The workgroup is expected to present their recommendations to the Foodborne Illness Prevention Program in mid-2007.

The FSAC will monitor the progress of the workgroup and will recommend amendments to the goals and action steps as appropriate. The FSAC will also be looking into future goals and action steps that will be addressed when the current goals are completed.

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