

RESOLUTION 55-15

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3 Title: Ban Routine Use of Antibiotics in Animal Feed
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9 Referred to: Reference Committee D
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11 House Action: **APPROVED**
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14 Whereas, the availability of newer antibiotics is dwindling rapidly, and
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16 Whereas, the rate and scope of antibiotic resistant organisms continues to
17 climb, and
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19 Whereas, 70 percent of the antibiotics manufactured in the United States are
20 used in animal feed¹ to promote livestock growth without any scientific proof; therefore
21 be it
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23 **RESOLVED:** That the American Medical Association advocate for a total ban
24 of antibiotics in animal feed to reduce the incidence of spillage to natural systems and
25 to reduce the emergence of multi drug resistant organisms that are difficult to treat.
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28 WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: None

¹ Ban antibiotics in farm animal feed, say Canadian doctors. Medical News Today. Accessed at <http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles/258052.php> on March 1, 2015.