1	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION
2	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
3	1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)
4	HOUSE
5	RESOLUTION 1007 By: Roberts (Dustin)
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8	AS INTRODUCED
9	A Resolution urging the repeal of the Veterinary Feed
10	Directive; and directing distribution.
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13	WHEREAS, the federal Food and Drug Administration's final
14	rule entitled the "Veterinary Feed Directive" was enacted on
15	October 1, 2015; and
16	WHEREAS, under these regulations, a livestock farmer,
17	rancher, or animal producer could only use certain
18	antibiotics with the authorization of a veterinarian in the
19	form of a directive; and
20	WHEREAS, the Veterinary Feed Directive dramatically
21	changed the process of accessing and administering
22	antibiotics to livestock as well as the relationship among
23	veterinarians, feed suppliers and farmers; and
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1 WHEREAS, the Veterinary Feed Directive has caused 2 hardships for Oklahoma farmers and ranchers, putting livestock in inhumane circumstances as their care is delayed 3 4 or in some cases unattainable; and 5 Whereas, Oklahoma farmers and ranchers are devoted to 6 continuing to produce the safest food supply in the entire 7 world, supplying completely antibiotic-free meat to consumers worldwide; and 8 9 WHEREAS, Oklahoma farmers and ranchers are committed to 10 raising healthy animals through the judicious use of 11 antibiotics in giving care to their animals; and 12 WHEREAS, Oklahoma farmers and ranchers are capable to 13 prevent most disease with the used of antimicrobials; and 14 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma House of Representatives believes 15 that Oklahomans are the most qualified to determine health, 16 safety, and well-being of the animals under their care 17 through medicated and nonmedicated feed. 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 19 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE: 20 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives urges the repeal of 21 the Veterinary Feed Directive and hereby encourages the Oklahoma 22 Congressional Delegation and the United States Congress to support

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the repeal of the Veterinary Feed Directive.

1	THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to each member of
2	the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation.
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