Rep. Miller Asks Gov. Casey Lift Hiring Ban

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.)

— Rep. Sheila Miller (R-129th)
urged Gov. Robert Casey to lift
the hiring ban for the Milk Marketing Board in order to sustain the
board's services. Gov. Casey
imposed the hiring ban on July 26.

"Pennsylvania's dairy industry supports the operating budget of the Milk Marketing Board through

fees; there are no taxpayer dollars involved in providing the industry services offered by the board," said Miller, a member of the House Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee.

The Berks County Republican noted that the General Assembly enacted legislation for a Milk Marketing Fund — which is sus-

tained through fees paid by the dairy industry — thereby making the board an independent and self-sufficient agency.

"To insure that the dairy industry continues to receive the proper level of services — services which they have paid for — it is necessary to allow the board to hire additional employees to complete

the required work," Miller said. The board has indicated it is seeking to hire one attorney, one clerk typist and two milk examiners.

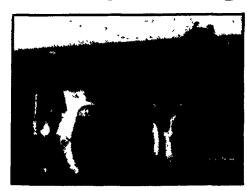
"The examiners are very important to the board so that it may keep up with monthly audits in two regions of the state," Miller said. The attorney and clerk would

alleviate current administrative overloads.

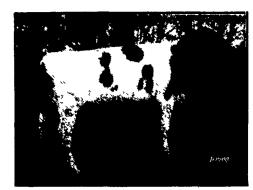
"It is my hope that the governor will see fit to lift the hiring ban on the board. Without the necessary staff, services provided to our dairy farmers and leading agricultural industry may suffer," Miller said.



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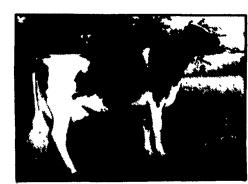
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