

## UNITED STATES ANIMAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION - 2005

**RESOLUTION:**                    2        **APPROVED AS AMENDED**

**SOURCE:**                        BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**SUBJECT MATTER:**            FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION PROPOSED RULE  
(589.2001), ENHANCED RUMINANT FEED BAN

**DATES:**                         Hershey, Pennsylvania – November 3-9, 2005

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Proposed changes in the 1997 Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Ruminant Feed Rule could cause significant economic and environmental harm, as well as threaten the health of animals from a number of pathogens that can be spread via inappropriate dead animal disposal.

### **RESOLUTION:**

The United States Animal Health Association (USAHA) urges the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM) to more thoroughly evaluate the unintended consequences of changes in the Ruminant Feed Rule so that reducing a very small risk from Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) does not lead to a carcass disposal crisis in many areas of the United States.