

AGENDA ITEM: 2026 Allocation of Delegates by State

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BACKGROUND:

Annually delegates need to adopt an allocation of the number of delegates by state and importers that is to be recommended to the Secretary of Agriculture for appointment for the next annual meeting.

EXISTING POLICY:

At the 1992 annual meeting, the following policy was unanimously adopted.

National Pork Producers (Pork Act) Delegate allocation (see attachment #1) shall be applied annually to the estimated assessments to be collected for the next annual meeting. The delegate allocation by state or importers will be reviewed and approved annually by vote of the current delegates for the next National Pork Producers (Pork Act) Delegate Body meeting.

DISCUSSION:

The delegate allocation table (attachment #1) maintains the principle of proportional representation that is the foundation of pork producer governance principles and consistent with the Pork Act. The table was based on historic data from previous delegate appointments from states or importers. Also, the principle of no less than two delegates from a state is maintained.

Attachment #2 delineates the allocation of delegates for the 2026 annual meeting. The allocation of delegates is based on the percentage of the actual assessments collected from each state and importers during the 12 months of 2024.

The most important point at this time is that the number of delegates indicated on Attachment #2 be completely agreed upon by this delegate body and subsequently be communicated to the Secretary of Agriculture.

Prior to the 2026 delegate body meeting, and as was done for this meeting, the actual numbers of shares voted by delegates will be calculated and based on actual dollars collected during 2025.

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on past delegate body established policy, delegates are asked to adopt and recommend to the Secretary the appointment of delegates as calculated and distributed by state in Attachment #2.

National Pork Producers (PORK ACT) Delegate Allocation

Percent of National Market Deductions	Delegates Allocated
0 - 1.0667	2
1.0668 - 2.1334	3
2.1335 - 4.0887	4
4.0888 - 5.1554	5
5.1555 - 6.2221	6
6.2222 - 7.2888	7
7.2889 - 8.3555	8
8.3556 - 9.4222	9
9.4223 - 10.4889	10
10.4890 - 11.5556	11
11.5557 - 12.6223	12
12.6224 - 13.6890	13
13.6891 - 14.7557	14
14.7558 - 15.8224	15
15.8225 - 16.8891	16
16.8892 - 17.9558	17
17.9559 - 19.0225	18
19.0226 - 20.0892	19
20.0893 - 21.1559	20
21.1560 - 22.2226	21
22.2227 - 23.2893	22
23.2894 - 24.3561	23
24.3562 - 25.4228	24
25.4229 - 26.4895	25
26.4896 - 27.5562	26
27.5563 - 28.6229	27
28.6230 - 29.6896	28
29.6897 - 30.7563	29
30.7564 - 31.8230	30

Adopted by the 1992 National Pork Producers (Pork Act) Delegate Body.

2026 National Pork Producers (Pork Act)

PROPOSED DELEGATE ALLOCATION

State	2024 Checkoff Assessments	Percentage 2024 Assessments	Proposed 2026 Delegates
ALABAMA	\$545	0.001%	2
ALASKA	\$216	0.000%	2
ARIZONA	\$149,901	0.179%	2
ARKANSAS	\$110,114	0.132%	2
CALIFORNIA	\$71,358	0.085%	2
COLORADO	\$304,850	0.364%	2
CONNECTICUT	\$161	0.000%	2
DELAWARE	\$4,216	0.005%	2
FLORIDA	\$12,724	0.015%	2
GEORGIA	\$14,730	0.018%	2
HAWAII	\$304	0.000%	2
IDAHO	\$9,239	0.011%	2
ILLINOIS	\$4,424,050	5.286%	6
INDIANA	\$5,200,790	6.214%	6
IOWA	\$31,109,972	37.171%	30
KANSAS	\$1,945,283	2.324%	4
KENTUCKY	\$527,433	0.630%	2
LOUISIANA	\$1,335	0.002%	2
MAINE	\$192	0.000%	2
MARYLAND	\$26,175	0.031%	2
MASSACHUSETTS	\$1,207	0.001%	2
MICHIGAN	\$1,294,426	1.547%	3
MINNESOTA	\$10,022,397	11.975%	12
MISSISSIPPI	\$14,890	0.018%	2
MISSOURI	\$2,451,794	2.930%	4
MONTANA	\$280,519	0.335%	2
NEBRASKA	\$3,120,467	3.728%	4
NEVADA	\$160	0.000%	2
NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$71	0.000%	2
NEW JERSEY	\$2,118	0.003%	2
NEW MEXICO	\$1	0.000%	2
NEW YORK	\$67,244	0.080%	2
NORTH CAROLINA	\$7,132,128	8.522%	9
NORTH DAKOTA	\$70,802	0.085%	2
OHIO	\$3,258,529	3.893%	4
OKLAHOMA	\$1,465,470	1.751%	3
OREGON	\$23,022	0.028%	2
PENNSYLVANIA	\$1,943,054	2.322%	4
RHODE ISLAND	\$-	0.000%	2
SOUTH CAROLINA	\$118,196	0.141%	2
SOUTH DAKOTA	\$2,362,036	2.822%	4
TENNESSEE	\$382,062	0.457%	2
TEXAS	\$624,333	0.746%	2
UTAH	\$59,289	0.071%	2
VERMONT	\$73	0.000%	2
VIRGINIA	\$293,002	0.350%	2
WASHINGTON	\$6,629	0.008%	2
WEST VIRGINIA	\$5,548	0.007%	2
WISCONSIN	\$190,384	0.227%	2
WYOMING	\$19,513	0.023%	2
IMPORTERS	\$4,570,194	5.461%	6
TOTAL	\$83,693,146	100%	173