2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 828

BY REPRESENTATIVES HORTON AND GEYMANN

SMALL BUSINESS: Increases the gross annual sales threshold under which a home-based preparer of low-risk foods may qualify for the protections of the statute known commonly as the cottage food law

| 1  | AN ACT   |
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| 2  | To amend and reenact R.S. 40:4.9(B), relative to preparation in private homes of foods for |
| 3  | sale; to provide relative to an exemption for home-based preparers of low-risk foods       |
| 4  | for sale from laws and regulations pertaining to food preparation; to provide for the      |
| 5  | annual sales threshold qualifying home-based food preparers for this exemption; and        |
| 6  | to provide for related matters.  |
| 7  | Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:   |
| 8  | Section 1. R.S. 40:4.9(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:              |
| 9  | §4.9. Low-risk foods; preparation in home for public consumption                           |
| 10 | * * *  |
| 11 | B. This Section shall not apply to any preparer of low-risk foods made at a                |
| 12 | home for sale, whose gross annual sales equal twenty thousand thirty thousand              |
| 13 | dollars or more.   |
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**Abstract:** Increases the gross annual sales threshold under which a home-based preparer of low-risk foods may qualify for the exemption from food preparation laws and regulations provided by the statute known commonly as the cottage food law.

<u>Present law</u> known commonly as the cottage food law exempts home-based preparers of certain foods for sale from <u>present law</u> and <u>present administrative rule</u> relative to preparation of food for public consumption if the preparer's gross annual sales of such foods are less than \$20,000 and certain other conditions are met.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases the gross annual sales threshold provided in the cottage food law from \$20,000 to \$30,000; otherwise, retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 40:4.9(B))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Health and Welfare</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:

1. Increase the gross annual sales threshold provided in the cottage food law from \$20,000 to \$30,000.