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DIGEST

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Present law (R.S. 3:3414.3) requires the La. Agricultural Commodities Commission (commission) to adopt standards for sampling and grading grain that are consistent with the standards adopted by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Proposed law clarifies that the standards adopted by the commission for sampling and grading grain are consistent with the standards adopted by the United States Department of Agriculture, Federal Grain Inspection Service.

Proposed law requires grain to be graded by a state or federally certified grader.

Present law authorizes the commission to certify grain samplers and graders.

Proposed law provides that the commission is responsible for the certification of grain samplers and graders.

Proposed law authorizes the commission to suspend or revoke a state certification for failure to comply with the provisions of present law or the rules adopted pursuant thereto based upon an adjudicatory hearing held in accordance with the A.P.A.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry to inspect, classify, and grade grain in accordance with standards adopted by the United States Department of Agriculture, Federal Grain Inspection Service, for sampling and grading grain.

Proposed law requires the commission to promulgate rules in accordance with the A.P.A. Requires the commission to commence the promulgation of rules no later than August 1, 2023.

Proposed law provides that provisions of proposed law shall not apply to rice.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 3:3414.3(A), (B), (D), and (L); adds R.S. 3:3414.3(M) and (N))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development to the original bill

1. Adds a Subsection to exclude proposed law from applying to rice.