

2024 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 114

BY SENATOR CATHEY

AGRICULTURE/FOREST DEPT. Provides relative to meat and poultry inspection.
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1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 3:4215(B)(2) and 4222(C) and to enact R.S. 3:4215(E), relative
3 to meat and poultry inspection; to provide relative to the preparation of carcasses,
4 parts thereof, meat and meat food products; to provide relative to what constitutes
5 a person or business; to provide relative to voluntary inspection services; and to
6 provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 3:4215(B)(2) and 4222(C) are hereby amended and reenacted and
9 R.S. 3:4215(E) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §4215. Exemption; farmers, custom, retailers, restaurants, and similar retail type
11 establishments

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13 B. The provisions of this Chapter requiring inspection of the preparation of
14 carcasses, parts thereof, meat and meat food products shall not apply when all of the
15 following apply:

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17 (2) The operations are conducted at a retail store, restaurant, or similar retail

1 type establishment, owned by the same person that operates the facility. For the
2 purpose of this Section, a person or business shall be considered eligible by
3 owning fifty-one per centum or more of both the producing and receiving
4 businesses.

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6 E. Voluntary Inspection Services

7 (1) An establishment that slaughters or otherwise prepares meat of bison,
8 cervidae, other bovidae, camelidae and hybrids thereof, domestic rabbits, or
9 other animals determined by the commissioner of agriculture by rule for human
10 food purposes may receive voluntary state inspection if the establishment
11 complies with Title 3 Chapter 27 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, and
12 the rules adopted under those sections for establishments that slaughter or
13 otherwise prepare for food purposes other animals and if the establishment
14 complies with Paragraph (3) of this Subsection.

15 (2) An establishment that slaughters or otherwise prepares the meat of
16 pheasant, quail, partridge, peafowl, grouse, wild turkey, or other poultry
17 determined by the commissioner of agriculture by rule may receive voluntary
18 state inspection under conditions compliant with Title 3 Chapter 27 of the
19 Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, and the rules adopted under those sections
20 for establishments that slaughter or otherwise prepare for food purposes other
21 poultry and if the establishment complies with Paragraph (3) of this Subsection.

22 (3) An establishment that receives voluntary state inspection under
23 Paragraphs (1) or (2) of this Subsection shall pay the costs of the inspection at
24 a rate and under terms established by rule of the commissioner of agriculture.

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26 §4222. Federal and state cooperation; designated authority

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28 C. The commissioner of agriculture shall serve as the representative of the
29 governor in all consultations and negotiations with the secretary of the United States

1 Department of Agriculture concerning the development and implementation of this
 2 Chapter and the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Federal Poultry Products
 3 Inspection Act. ~~The Louisiana Board of Animal Health shall advise the~~
 4 ~~commissioner on all aspects of all consultations with the federal secretary and on all~~
 5 ~~other aspects of the enforcement of the provisions of this Chapter.~~

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7 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
 8 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
 9 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
 10 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
 11 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
 of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Mary Frances Aucoin.

DIGEST

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Present law (R.S. 3:4215) provides that the inspection of the preparation of carcasses, parts thereof, meat and meat food products will not apply when the operations are conducted at a retail store, restaurant, or similar type of retail establishment that is owned by the same person that operates the facility.

Proposed law retains present law and further clarifies that a person or business is considered eligible by owning 51% or more of both the producing and receiving businesses.

Proposed law provides that an establishment that slaughters or prepares the meat of bison, cervidae, other bovidae, camelidae and hybrids thereof, domestic rabbits or other animals determined by the commissioner of agriculture for human food purposes may receive voluntary state inspection if the establishment complies with rules set forth in Title 3 Chapter 27 of the La. Revised Statutes of 1950.

Proposed law provides that an establishment that slaughters or prepares the meat of pheasant, quail, partridge, peafowl, grouse, wild turkey, or other poultry determined by the commissioner of agriculture may receive voluntary state inspection under conditions compliant with rules set forth in Title 3 Chapter 27 of the La. Revised Statutes of 1950.

Proposed law provides that an establishment that receives voluntary state inspection must pay the costs of the inspection at a rate and under terms set by the commissioner of agriculture.

Present law (R.S. 3:4222) provides that the Louisiana Board of Animal Health will advise the commissioner on consultations with the secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture concerning the development and implementation of laws related to meat and poultry inspection.

Proposed law deletes the language that requires the Louisiana Board of Animal Health to advise the commissioner on consultations with the federal secretary.

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

(Amends R.S. 3:4215(B)(2) and 4222(C); adds R.S. 3:4215(E))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Makes technical changes.