
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides within the State Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Law for destruction of imported food which is found to be subject to an import ban.

Present law known as the State Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Law provides that whenever a duly authorized officer or employee of the La. Department of Health (LDH) finds in any factory, establishment, structure, or vehicle of transportation any meat, seafood, poultry, vegetables, fruit, or other perishable articles which are unsound or contain any filthy, decomposed, or putrid substance or that may be poisonous or deleterious to health or otherwise unsafe for human consumption, a designated officer or employee of LDH shall immediately condemn or destroy it or in any other manner render it unconsumable as human food.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that nothing therein, or in any other provision of present law relative to public health, shall be construed to prohibit any duly authorized officer or employee of LDH from causing the destruction of any meat, seafood, poultry, vegetables, fruit, or other perishable articles which are of foreign origin and found to be subject to a federally issued import ban.

(Amends R.S. 40:635)