

Prior law in the Public Contract Law provided for procurement by state and local public entities for the purchase of materials and supplies and provisions. The law also provides a preference for certain products produced or manufactured in Louisiana, including meat and meat products processed in Louisiana from animals that are alive at the time they enter the processing plant.

New law provides instead that the meat be processed in Louisiana from animals that originated in Louisiana, as evidenced by traceability documentation supplied by the manufacturer.

Prior law provided a similar preference relative to meat and meat products processed in Louisiana in the Procurement Code for supplies purchased by state agencies. Prior law also provided that meat and meat products shall be processed in Louisiana from animals that are alive at the time they enter the processing plant.

New law to the Procurement Code proposes a revision that meat be processed in Louisiana from animals that originated in Louisiana, as evidenced by traceability documentation supplied by the manufacturer.

Effective upon signature of the governor (June 9, 2014).

(Amends R.S. 38:2251(C)(3) and R.S. 39:1595(C)(3))