
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the State does not
2 have a meat and poultry inspection program. The legislature
3 further finds that instead of a state-administered meat and
4 poultry inspection program, the State relies on the United
5 States Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection
6 Service under a cooperative agreement to inspect the safety and
7 labeling of meat, poultry, and egg products produced in the
8 State. Other states have their own state-run meat and poultry
9 inspection programs, and Hawaii would benefit from having its
10 own program.

11 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to establish and
12 appropriate moneys for a meat and poultry inspection program
13 within the department of agriculture.

14 SECTION 2. (a) The department of agriculture shall
15 establish, implement, and administer a meat and poultry
16 inspection program. In establishing the program, the department
17 of agriculture shall consider the following:



- 1 (1) Statutory authority and food safety regulations;
- 2 (2) Inspection issues;
- 3 (3) Product sampling programs;
- 4 (4) Staffing, training, and supervision;
- 5 (5) Humane handling of animals;
- 6 (6) Compliance issues;
- 7 (7) Laboratory methods and quality assurance programs;
- 8 (8) Civil rights; and
- 9 (9) Financial accountability.
- 10 (b) The department of agriculture shall submit a report of
- 11 its findings and recommendations relating to activities
- 12 conducted pursuant to this Act, including any proposed
- 13 legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior
- 14 to the convening of each regular session.

15 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
 16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
 17 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and
 18 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
 19 year 2024-2025 to establish, implement, and administer a meat
 20 and poultry inspection program within the department of
 21 agriculture.



1 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
2 of agriculture for the purposes of this Act.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on June 30, 3000.



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Report Title:

HDOA; Meat and Poultry Inspection Program; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the Department of Agriculture to establish, implement, and administer a meat and poultry inspection program. Appropriates funds for the establishment, implementation, and administration of the program. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

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