## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MEAT DONATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 159, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 3 and to read as follows:
- 4 "\$159- Further exemptions; food donations; wild game.
- 5 (a) This chapter shall not apply to the slaughtering of wild
- 6 game or the preparation and transportation of the carcasses,
- 7 parts thereof, and meat or meat products at establishments
- 8 conducting these operations if the articles are wild game
- 9 exclusively to be donated by a hunter for the use or
- 10 distribution by a charitable, religious, or nonprofit
- 11 organization to needy persons pursuant to chapter 145D; provided
- 12 that the wild game shall not be combined with a meat food
- 13 product regulated under the Federal Meat Inspection Act, title
- 14 21 United States Code section 601 et seq., or a poultry product
- 15 regulated under the federal Poultry Products Inspection Act,
- 16 title 21 United States Code section 451 et seq.; provided
- 17 further that the transportation of wild game is limited to

- 1 moving the wild game to and from the premises where the hunter
- 2 killed the wild game, the processing establishment, and the
- 3 charitable, religious, or nonprofit organization.
- 4 (b) For the purposes of this section, "wild game" means a
- 5 member of a species of game not indigenous to the State,
- 6 including axis deer. "Wild game" includes carcasses, parts
- 7 thereof, and meat or meat products derived from wild game."
- 8 SECTION 2. Section 145D-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- "[{] \$145D-5[}] Reserving the State's authority to
- 11 regulate, inspect, or ban the use of donated food. [Nothing]
- 12 Notwithstanding section: 159-, nothing in this chapter is
- 13 intended to restrict the authority of the department of health
- 14 or the department of agriculture to regulate, inspect, or ban
- 15 the use of [such] donated foods for human consumption."
- 16 SECTION 3. Section 159-29, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 17 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 18 "(c) The transportation by commercial carrier of
- 19 carcasses, parts thereof, or meat or meat products produced
- 20 without inspection under subsection (a) is prohibited, except
- 21 under permit issued by the board[-] and under section 159- ."

- 1 SECTION 4. Section 159-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- 3 "(a) [The] Notwithstanding section 159- , the
- 4 preparation, sale, offering for sale, or transportation or
- 5 receipt for transportation in intrastate commerce of meat and
- 6 meat products derived from exotic animals, unless inspected and
- 7 passed as provided for under this part, is prohibited.
- 8 Violators shall be subject to all requirements and penalties of
- 9 this chapter."
- 10 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 12 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

## Report Title:

Department of Agriculture; Department of Health; Food Donation; Charitable, Religious, or Nonprofit Organizations; Wild Game; Axis Deer

## Description:

Exempts the donation of wild game meat, including axis deer, by a hunter for the use or distribution by a charitable, religious, or nonprofit organization to needy persons from certain laws regarding the inspection and transportation of meat. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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