**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 47‑17‑90, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO EXEMPTIONS FROM MEAT AND MEAT FOOD INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO EXEMPT MEAT AND MEAT FOODS PROCESSED AT A CUSTOM SLAUGHTER FACILITY WHICH MEETS CERTAIN CRITERIA FROM STATE‑REQUIRED INSPECTIONS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 47‑19‑80, RELATING TO POULTRY PROCESSING COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO EXEMPT A CUSTOM POULTRY PROCESSING FACILITY WHICH MEETS CERTAIN CRITERIA FROM STATE‑REQUIRED INSPECTIONS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 47‑17‑90 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding an appropriately numbered subsection to read:

“( ) To the slaughter of livestock and preparation of carcasses or parts thereof, meat or meat food products by a person at a custom slaughtering facility and the preparation and transportation into commerce of the carcasses, parts thereof, meat and meat food products if:

(a) the custom slaughtering facility is maintained and operated in a sanitary manner; and

(b) the carcasses, parts thereof, meat, and meat food products are prepared exclusively for distribution to:

(i) household consumers within the State; or

(ii) restaurants, hotels, boarding houses, grocery stores, or other locations within the State that are involved in the preparation of meals served directly to consumers or offer meat and meat food products for sale directly to consumers in the State.”

SECTION 2. Section 47‑19‑80 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 47‑19‑80. (A) Except as provided in subsection (B), no establishment processing poultry or poultry products solely for intrastate commerce shall process any poultry or poultry product capable of use as human food except in compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

(B) A custom facility processing poultry or poultry products may be exempt from state inspection requirements if:

(1) the custom facility processing the poultry is otherwise in compliance with the requirements of this chapter; and

(2) the poultry or poultry products are prepared exclusively for distribution to:

(a) household consumers within the State; or

(b) restaurants, hotels, boarding houses, grocery stores, or other locations within the State that are involved in the preparation of meals served directly to consumers or offer poultry or poultry products for sale directly to the consumer.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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