

Amendment to HB 779-FN

1 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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3 1 Uninspected Rabbits; Sale at Farms, Farmstands, and Farmers Markets. Amend the
4 subdivision heading preceding RSA 143-A:14 to read as follows:

5 Sale of Uninspected Poultry and Rabbits to Restaurants ***and Sale of Uninspected Rabbits at New***
6 ***Hampshire Farms, Farmstands, and Farmers Markets***

7 2 Producer Requirements; Uninspected Rabbits. Amend RSA 143-A:16 to read as follows:

8 143-A:16 Producer Requirements.

9 I. A federally exempt poultry producer may, in a calendar year, sell to licensed restaurants
10 uninspected, processed whole poultry that the producer has raised in a quantity not to exceed the
11 federal limit established in 21 U.S.C. section 464 and an unlicensed rabbit producer may, in a
12 calendar year, sell to licensed restaurants up to 1,000 uninspected, processed whole rabbits that the
13 producer has raised, provided all of the following conditions are met:

14 (a) The producer is current with all educational requirements that are established by the
15 commissioner in consultation with the commissioner of agriculture, markets, and food relative to
16 proper methods of slaughtering, processing, packaging, and storing poultry or rabbit on the farm and
17 its subsequent transport to restaurants; and

18 (b) The producer has registered with the department of agriculture, markets, and food
19 by providing his or her name, the name and address of the farm, and phone number, to allow for
20 trace back in the event of disease outbreak. Such registry information shall be protected pursuant to
21 RSA 436:6-a.

22 II. ***An unlicensed rabbit producer may, in a calendar year, sell at his or her own***
23 ***farm, farmstand, or farmer's market up to 1,000 uninspected, processed whole rabbits that***
24 ***the producer has raised provided all of the following conditions are met:***

25 (a) ***The rabbits are raised, slaughtered, processed, packaged, and sold within***
26 ***the state of New Hampshire;***

27 (b) ***The producer has fulfilled all educational requirements that are established***
28 ***by the commissioner of the department of health and human services in consultation with***
29 ***the commissioner of the department of agriculture, markets, and food relative to proper***
30 ***methods of slaughtering, processing, packaging, and storing rabbit on the farm and its***
31 ***subsequent transport to farmstands or farmers markets; and***

1 (c) *The producer has registered with the department of agriculture, markets,*
2 *and food by providing his or her name, the name of the address of the farm, and his or her*
3 *phone number, to allow for trace back in the event of disease outbreak. Such information*
4 *shall be protected pursuant to RSA 436:6-a.*

5 **III.** The department may inspect these exempt products when the department has reason to
6 suspect an imminent health hazard as defined in RSA 143-A:3, IV-b.

7 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.