



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 298

LCO No. 3916



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
(ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING PERMITTING FOR LOCAL BUTCHER SHOPS TO PROCESS FARMER-OWNED LIVESTOCK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of
2 Agriculture shall seek funding from the federal Meat and Poultry
3 Processing Expansion Program to enable butcher shops in the state to
4 serve as United States Department of Agriculture approved processors
5 for local farmers. Such request for funding may include, but shall not be
6 limited to, the establishment by the commissioner of a start-up
7 cooperative, in partnership with the Connecticut Farm Bureau, for
8 butcher shops to serve as United States Department of Agriculture meat
9 processing facilities in the state for local producers.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To address the tremendous backlog by USDA facilities to process farmer's livestock.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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