



## **S.F. No. 2458 – Department of Agriculture budget and policy**

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SF 2458 is the Department of Agriculture budget bill. Article 1 contains appropriations for the Department of Agriculture, Board of Animal Health, and Agricultural Utilization Research Institute. Article 2 contains statutory changes that are summarized below.

Section 1 (17.1017) changes the name of the good food access program to the food retail improvement and development program, modifies the definitions of economic or community development financial institution and underserved community, specifies that projects must serve underserved communities, modifies the report to the legislature, and makes conforming changes.

Section 2 (17.1018) makes conforming and technical changes related to the advisory committee in section 1.

Section 3 (17.117, subdivision 1) modifies the purpose of the agriculture best management practices loan program so to support landowners.

Section 4 (17.117, subdivision 3) raises the maximum statutory amount the Public Facilities Authority can appropriate from the clean water revolving fund for the agriculture best management practices loan program.

Section 5 (17.118, subdivision 1) modifies the allowable amount for a grant award to equal 50 percent of the first \$20,000 of qualifying expenditures and 20 percent of the next \$200,000 of qualifying expenditures and allows a project to continue for up to three years.

Section 6 (17.118, subdivision 2) amends the definition of livestock to include more species of animals.

Section 7 (17.118, subdivision 3) amends eligibility to include tribal governments.



Section 8 (17.133, subdivision 1) clarifies language relating to family relationships in the definition of eligible farmer for the farm down payment assistance grant program.

Section 9 (18B.26, subdivision 8) amends the PFAS prohibitions so the subdivision no longer applies to cleaning products as defined in section 18B.01, subdivision 4d, and would instead apply to products listed in section 116.943, subdivision 5, paragraph (a).

Sections 10 to 36 relate to modifications to seed potato provisions in chapter 21.

Section 10 (18J.01) updates the applicability of definitions in other chapters in chapter 18J relating to inspection and enforcement.

Section 11 (18J.02) updates the enforcement and inspection duties of the commissioner to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 12 (18J.03) updates the civil liability provisions to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 13 (18J.04, subdivision 1) updates access and entry permissions for the commissioner to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 14 (18J.04, subdivision 2) updates inspections and sampling permissions for the commissioner to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 15 (18J.04, subdivision 3) updates sample and inspection notice requirements for the commissioner to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 16 (18J.04, subdivision 4) updates inspection request language to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 17 (18J.05, subdivision 1) updates the enforcement section to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 18 (18J.05, subdivision 2) updates the commissioner's discretion to issue a warning for a minor violation to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 19 (18J.05, subdivision 6) updates the agent for service of legal process subdivision to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 20 (18J.06) updates the false statement or record section to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 21 (18J.07, subdivision 3) updates the cancellation of certification subdivision to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 22 (18J.07, subdivision 4) updates the service of order or notice subdivision to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 23 (18J.07, subdivision 5) updates the unsatisfied judgements subdivision to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 24 (18J.09) updates the crediting of penalties, fees, and costs section to include the revised seed potato provisions.

Section 25 (21.111) amends definitions for seed potatoes.

Section 26 (21.112) inserts a subdivision relating to interstate cooperation in the commissioner duties section. The language of the new subdivision matches that in the definition of interstate cooperation proposed to be deleted from section 21.111 and moves it to a more appropriate section of the statutes.

Section 27 (21.113) modifies certificate provisions for seed potatoes.

Section 28 (21.115) makes conforming changes to the seed potato inspection account section.

Section 29 (21.117) modifies inspection application withdrawals and adds an inspection application amendment provision relating to seed potatoes.

Section 30 (21.119) makes a conforming change to the section relating to the use of certain terms.

Section 31 (21.1195) modifies the minimum standards for potato planting.

Section 32 (21.1196, subdivision 2) specifies requirements for growing potatoes in the restricted seed potato growing area.

Section 33 [21.123] inserts a new section relating to seed potato certification.

Section 34 [21.124] inserts a new section relating to requirements for production of different classes of certified seed potatoes.

Section 35 [21.125] inserts a new section relating to certified seed potato grades and tolerances.

Section 36 (21.891, subdivision 2) modifies the reporting periods for seed fee permit holders.

Sections 37 to 50 amend chapter 28 A relating to licensing food handlers.

Section 37 (28A.03, subdivision 7) modifies the definition of principal mode of business to include retail and wholesale food handlers only.

Section 38 (28A.03) adds a new definition of risk category.

Section 39 (28A.03) adds a new definition of gross sales or service.

Section 40 (28A.03) adds a new definition of home food handler prepared food.

Section 41 (28A.04) modifies food handler and meat processing licensing application and renewal provisions.

Section 42 (28A.05) modifies food handler classification by specifying a subdivision relating to food handler classes and adds a new subdivision relating to home food handler prepared food.

Section 43 (28A.06) amends the extent of a food handler license.

Section 44 (28A.07) modifies the issuance of license section so appropriate inspections are made to determine an applicant's risk category and fitness to engage in business activities.

Section 45 (28A.0753, subdivision 3) makes conforming changes.

Section 46 (28A.08) amends license fees and allows the commissioner to adjust fees every five years in line with inflation.

Section 47 (28A.085) amends reinspection fees for licensees who have violated food statutes or rules.

Section 48 (28A.14) amends the transfer of a business to allow a licensee to discontinue operating at an additional authorized location without voiding their license.

Section 49 (28A.17) modifies the license renewal section to specify that approval requires compliance with conditions and payment of fees.

Section 50 (28A.18) authorizes rulemaking for home food handlers.

Section 51 (32D.01) adds a new subdivision to the dairy law definitions to define the term milk marketer.

Section 52 [32D.31] adds a new section requiring a license for any milk marketer and specifying terms, fees, penalties, and license and permit requirements for licensees.

Section 53 (41B.039, subdivision 2) amends the beginning farmer loans to state that no loan may be less than \$50,000.

Section 54 (41B.04, subdivision 8) amends the loan restructuring program to state that loans may not be less than \$50,000.

Section 55 (41B.042, subdivision 4) amends the seller-sponsored program to state that loans may not be less than \$50,000.

Section 56 (41B.043, subdivision 1b) amends the agricultural improvement loan program to state that loans may not be less than \$50,000.

Section 57 (41B.045, subdivision 2) amends the livestock expansion and modernization loan program to state that loans may not be less than \$50,000.

Section 58 (41B.047, subdivision 3) amends the eligibility for the disaster recovery loan program to require that a borrower's total net worth be less than \$5,000,000.

Section 59 (41B.056, subdivision 1) modifies the pilot agricultural microloan program so it is no longer a pilot program and loans may be used for purchasing agricultural land.

Section 60 (41B.057, subdivision 1) modifies the farm opportunity loan program to reduce the purposes of the loans.

Section 61 (41B.057, subdivision 3) amends the eligibility for the farm opportunity loan program to require that a borrower's total net worth be less than \$1,700,000 and to allow that amount to be adjusted in line with inflation.

Section 62 (223.17, subdivision 3) modifies inspection fees for grain buyers.

Section 63 (232.22, subdivision 3) modifies grain storage fees.

Section 64 repeals statutes and rules relating to seed potatoes.