



## **S.F. No. 2611 – Modifying provisions relating to livestock market agency and dealer licensing, farmers’ market or community event food sampling and demonstration, and food certificate payments**

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SF 2611 is a Department of Agriculture policy bill.

Sections 1 to 14 update chapter 17A relating to livestock market agency and dealer licensing.

Section 1 (17A.03, subdivision 8) modifies the definition of agent to be a livestock dealer agent.

Section 2 (17A.03, subdivision 10) modifies the definition of packing plants and slaughtering houses to be meat packing companies, packers, and slaughtering houses and to be consistent with the definition of packer in chapter 31B relating to packers and stockyards.

Section 3 (17A.03, subdivision 11) makes a conforming change to the definition of buying station.

Section 4 (17A.03) inserts a new definition for meat packing company agent.

Section 5 (17A.04) specifies that licenses for livestock dealers, livestock dealer agents, meat packing companies, and meat packing company agents are renewable annually and makes conforming changes.

Section 6 (17A.04, subdivision 2) makes a conforming change to the licensing statute.

Section 7 (17A.04, subdivision 4) deletes an obsolete reference.

Section 8 (17A.04, subdivision 6) allows the commissioner to refuse to renew a license in certain circumstances and makes a conforming change.

Section 9 (17A.04, subdivision 7) removes specific requirements for license revocation procedures, retaining that revocation occur in line with the Administrative Procedure Act.

Section 10 (17A.04, subdivision 8) removes the ability for a licensee to waive the ten days' notice requirement.

Section 11 (17A.06, subdivision 2) modifies requirements for bond claim hearings and deletes the provision that all parties may waive a hearing.

Section 12 (17A.06, subdivision 3) amends public notice procedures for bond claims and makes a conforming change.

Section 13 (17A.07) makes conforming changes.

Section 14 (17A.08) specifies that the commissioner may take enforcement action when records are not kept.

Section 15 (28A.081, subdivision 1) adds clarifying language relating to fees in the licensing food handlers chapter.

Section 16 (28A.151, subdivision 2) corrects a drafting error relating to food sampling and food product demonstrations.

Section 17 (31B.03) allows the commissioner flexibility in requiring reports for packers and stockyards.

Section 18 (34A.04, subdivision 1) adds chapter 17A to the commissioner's enforcement authority in chapter 34A.

Section 19 repeals two sections in the Board of Animal Health chapter relating to rabies proclamations and written bills of sale for branded livestock.



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