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HOUSE BILL 437

AN ACT establishing a committee to study the shortage of animal slaughter and meat processing facilities in New Hampshire and the implementation of the meat inspection program.

SPONSORS: Rep. Comtois, Belk. 7; Sen. Gray, Dist 6

COMMITTEE: Environment and Agriculture

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study the shortage of animal slaughter and meat processing facilities in New Hampshire and the implementation of the meat inspection program.

Explanation:Matter added to current law appears in **bold italics.**Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty One

AN ACT establishing a committee to study the shortage of animal slaughter and meat processing facilities in New Hampshire and the implementation of the meat inspection program.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 1 43:1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study the shortage of animal $\mathbf{2}$ slaughter and meat processing facilities in New Hampshire and the implementation of the meat 3 inspection program established in RSA 427:3. 43:2 Membership and Compensation. 4 I. The members of the committee shall be as follows: $\mathbf{5}$ 6 (a) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the 7house of representatives. 8 (b) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate. 9 II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to
- 10 the duties of the committee.

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- 11 43:3 Duties. The committee shall study:
- 12 I. The barriers New Hampshire farmers face in accessing slaughter facilities.
 - II. Possible approaches to improving availability of slaughter facilities.
- 14 III. The implementation of the meat inspection program established in RSA 427:3.

15 43:4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from 16 among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named house 17 member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this 18 section. Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

43:5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house

21 clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2021.

43:6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: May 17, 2021 Effective Date: May 17, 2021