Enacted Agriculture Legislation
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2011-2012 Legislation Summary:
196 laws passed in 42 states and Puerto Rico: Alaska (1), Arkansas (1), Arizona (1), California (18), Colorado (8), Connecticut (2), Delaware (1), Florida (4), Georgia (10), Hawaii (7), Idaho (1), Illinois (7), Indiana (3), Iowa (5), Kansas (4), Kentucky (3), Louisiana (1), Maine (11), Maryland (6), Massachusetts (1), Michigan (17), Minnesota (3), Mississippi (1), Nebraska (11), New Hampshire (7), New Jersey (1), New York (4), North Carolina (1), Ohio (3), Oklahoma (5), Oregon (2), Pennsylvania (1), Rhode Island (12), South Carolina (4), Tennessee (3), Utah (3), Vermont (2), Virginia (1), Washington (12), West Virginia (1), Wisconsin (5), Wyoming (1), and Puerto Rico (1).

**Alaska**

AK H 97         Extend Invasive Plants Law
Status:          Enacted - Chapter No. 3
Date of Last Action: 04/22/2011 - Enacted*
Author:          Johnson C (R)
Topics:          Invasive Species
Summary:        Extends a provision relating to noxious weeds, invasive plants, and agricultural pest management and education.

**Arkansas**

AR H 1084    Veterinary Medicine Loan Forgiveness Program
Status:          Enacted - Act No. 162
Date of Last Action: 02/24/2012 - Enacted*
Author:          Joint Budget
Topics:          Veterinary Care
Summary:        Provides for the Department of Higher Education - Veterinary Medicine Loan Forgiveness Program appropriation for the 2012-2013 fiscal year.
Arizona
AZ S 1342 Veterinarians Substance Abuse Treatment
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 181
Date of Last Action: 04/04/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Melvin (R)
Topics: Veterinary Care
Summary:
Relates to veterinarians, relates to substance abuse treatment and a rehabilitation plan for licensees who are impaired by alcohol or drug abuse, provides for education, intervention, therapeutic treatment and posttreatment monitoring and support, provides for contracts with private organizations, requires reports, provides for confidentiality of self-referred participants.

California
CA A 152 Food Banks: Grants: Contributions: Income Tax Credits
Status: Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 503
Date of Last Action: 10/06/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Fuentes (D) Additional Authors: Hancock (D);Padilla (D);Fletcher (I);Harkey (R);Achadjian (R)
Topics: Agricultural Products
Summary:
Requires the State Department of Public Health to investigate and apply for federal funding opportunities regarding promoting healthy eating and preventing obesity and to award grants and provide in-kind support to local government, nonprofit organizations, and local education agencies that encourage healthy eating programs. Requires the establishment of a Emergency Food Assistance Program to provide emergency food and funding. Allows a tax credit for the donation of fresh fruits and vegetables.

CA S 215 Invasive Aquatic Species: Mussels
Status: Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 332
Date of Last Action: 09/26/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Huff (R) Additional Authors: Garrick (R);Jeffries (R);Blumenfield (D);Gorell (R)
Topics: Invasive Species
Summary:
Extends the repeal date of existing law that generally prohibits a person from possessing, importing, shipping, or transporting, or from placing, planting, or causing to be placed or planted in any water within the state, dreissenid mussels, and authorizes the Director of Fish and Game or his or her designee to engage in enforcement activities. Provides that a person who violates, resists, delays, obstructs, or interferes with the implementation of these provisions is subject to a penalty.

CA A 222 Food and Agriculture: Omnibus Bill
Status: Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 97
Date of Last Action: 07/25/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Agriculture Cmt
Topics: Biotechnology
Summary:
Deletes obsolete reporting requirements of the Food Biotechnology Task Force. Defines the term business day for purposes of provisions of existing law relating to the impounding of stray dogs or cats in
a shelter. Relates to the per diem allowance for members of the State Walnut Commission. Relates to employee contracting by the 50th District Agricultural Association or a related joint powers agency.

**CA A 280**  
**Horse Racing: State-Bred Horses and Parimutuel Tickets**

**Status:** Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 98  
**Date of Last Action:** 07/25/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Silva (R)  
**Topics:** Livestock & Poultry - Horses  
**Summary:**
Revises the definition of a state-bred standardbred horse. Relates to base purses for the races of all 2-year-olds and 3-year olds. Requires that all base purses for each set of races conducted during any given year at any race meeting be determined by the Standardbred Sires Stakes Committee. Makes a technical, nonsubstantive change to a provision relating to the altering, counterfeiting, or attempting to alter or counterfeit any parimutuel ticket.

**CA S 303**  
**Food Safety: Food Handlers**

**Status:** Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 233  
**Date of Last Action:** 09/06/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Padilla (D)  
**Topics:** Food Safety  
**Summary:**
Requires food facilities, except temporary food facilities, to have an owner or employee who has successfully passed an approved and accredited food safety certification examination from an accredited food protection manager certification organization. Defines food facility, with certain exceptions. Requires a food handler to obtain a food handler card from either a food protection manager certification organization or specified training provider until a specified date, then only from a training provider.

**CA S 305**  
**Satellite Wagering: Minisatellite Facilities**

**Status:** Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 334  
**Date of Last Action:** 09/26/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Calderon R (D)  
**Topics:** Livestock & Poultry - Horses  
**Summary:**
Directs the Horse Racing Board to license a minisatellite facility for a period of up to 5 years. Makes other technical changes.

**CA S 513**  
**Renderers and Farmers' Markets: Regulatory Fees**

**Status:** Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 337  
**Date of Last Action:** 09/26/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Cannella (R)  
**Topics:** Agricultural Products | Food Safety  
**Summary:**
Establishes the Rendering Industry Advisory Board to make recommendations regarding licensing matters, regulations, procedures for employment, training, supervision, and compensation for inspectors, and license fees and penalties related thereto. Reenacts provisions regarding the licensure of rendering collection centers and transporters of inedible kitchen grease. Extends the provisions
regarding a farmers' market operator fee and the provisions regarding civil penalties for market owner violations.

### CA A 610  
**Specialized License Plates: Veterinary Medical Board**
- **Status:** Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 9
- **Date of Last Action:** 04/26/2012 - Enacted*
- **Author:** Solorio (D) Additional Authors: Jeffries (R); Blumenfield (D); Gatto (D); Williams (D)
- **Topics:** Veterinary Care
- **Summary:** Amends existing law that relates to the issuance of specialized license plates and the requirement that the Department of Motor Vehicles receive a specified number of applications for any plates during a certain time period before issuing any specialized plate. Authorizes the Veterinary Medical Board to contact the department and indicate its intent to undertake collection of additional applications and fees or deposits for an additional time period to obtain the minimum number of applications needed.

### CA S 623  
**Public Health: Health Workforce Projects**
- **Status:** Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 450
- **Date of Last Action:** 09/22/2012 - Enacted*
- **Author:** Kehoe (D) Additional Authors: Atkins (D)
- **Topics:** Invasive Species
- **Summary:** Requires the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to extend the duration of the Health Workforce Pilot Project No. 171 that teaches new skills to nurse practitioners, certified nurse-midwives, and physician assistants, and to evaluate such practitioners to use these new skills to perform first trimester aspiration abortions, to provide project sponsors an opportunity to achieve publication of data collected during the project in a peer-reviewed journal, among other specified purposes.

### CA A 688  
**Food and Drugs: Sale**
- **Status:** Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 681
- **Date of Last Action:** 10/09/2011 - Enacted*
- **Author:** Pan (D) Additional Authors: Alquist (D); Mitchell (D)
- **Topics:** Food Safety
- **Summary:** Prohibits a retailer from selling or offering for sale after the expiration date an over-the-counter drug. Prohibits a retail food facility from selling or offering for sale, after the use by date, infant formula or baby food that is required to have this date on its packaging pursuant to federal law. Makes a violation an infraction. Authorizes the assessment of related administrative penalties, in addition to other penalties authorized by law.

### CA A 707  
**Horse Racing: Thoroughbred Races**
- **Status:** Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 84
- **Date of Last Action:** 07/13/2011 - Enacted*
- **Author:** Garrick (R)
- **Topics:** Livestock & Poultry - Horses
- **Summary:** Increases the limit on the total number of thoroughbred races imported by associations or fairs on a statewide basis on days when live thoroughbred or fair racing is being conducted in the State.
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<td>Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 225</td>
<td>Hall (D)</td>
<td>Livestock &amp; Poultry - Horses</td>
<td>Permits the Horse Racing Board to authorize a licensed quarter horse racing association that is conducting a live racing meeting to accept wagers on the full card of races conducted by another racing association on the day that other association conducts the Texas Classic Futurity and Remington Park Futurity.</td>
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<td><strong>State Commissions: Market Information</strong></td>
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<td>Atkins (D)</td>
<td>Agricultural Products</td>
<td>Authorizes the State Avocado Commission to require producers to provide information pertaining to the locations at which avocados are produced and the annual volume of avocados produced at each location. Authorizes the use of that information for specified purposes. Relates to the reapportion of the commission's districts. Requires the cut flower commission to specified the types and varieties of cut flowers for which it is collecting market price information. Requires producer confidentiality.</td>
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<td><strong>Ballast Water</strong></td>
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<td>Environmental Quality Cmt</td>
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<td>Requires the master, owner, operator, or person in charge of a vessel arriving at a State port or place to remove biofouling organisms from the hull, piping, propellers, sea chests, and other wetted portions of a vessel on a regular basis. Defines biofouling. Allows the installation of an experimental ballast water treatment system if the State Lands Commission approves the application.</td>
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<td>CA A 1014</td>
<td><strong>Food Facilities: Definition</strong></td>
<td>Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 159</td>
<td>Fletcher (I) Additional Authors: Chesbro (D)</td>
<td>Food Safety</td>
<td>Amends the State Retail Food Code that provides for the regulation of health and sanitation standards for retail food facilities. Exempts from its provisions, premises set aside for beer tasting by a beer manufacturer to include any holder of a beer manufacturer's license, any holder of an out-of-state beer manufacturer's certificate, or any holder of a beer and wine importer's general license.</td>
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Author: Gatto (D) Additional Authors: Correa (D); DeSaulnier (D); Huffman (D); Fletcher (I); Nestande (R); Perez V (D); Wieckowski (D)
Topics: Food Safety
Summary: Includes a cottage food operation that is registered or has a permit within the private home exemption of the Retail Food Code. Excludes such operation from specified food processing establishment and Sherman Law requirements. Requires such operation to meet specified requirements relating to training, sanitation, preparation, labeling, and permissive types of sales. Establishes various zoning and permit requirements relating to cottage food operations. Requires the food to be identified as homemade.

CA A 2297  Retail Food Code: Nursing Facilities: Intermediate Care
Status: Enacted - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 725
Date of Last Action: 09/28/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Hayashi (D)
Topics: Food Safety
Summary: Amends that State Retail Food Code. Excludes a certain intermediate care facility for the developmentally disabled from the definition of a retail food facility. Requires the facility to notify specified health entities of a foodborne illness or outbreak. Requires the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to maintain its primary jurisdiction over licensed skilled nursing facilities. Requires the completion of a certain process when new construction, modernization or remodeling must be done.

CA ACR 42  Eat Local, Buy California Grown Day
Status: Adopted - Resolution Chapter No. 42
Date of Last Action: 06/30/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Ma (D) Additional Authors: Galgiani (D); Olsen (R); Gordon (D); Achadjian (R); Monning (D); Lowenthal B (D); Hill (D); Blumenfield (D); Solorio (D); Jeffries (R); Huffman (D); Perea (D)
Topics: Agricultural Products | Rural Economic Development
Summary: Declares that Sundays are Eat Local, Buy California Grown Day and encourages families, restaurants, and grocers to buy California-grown floriculture, fiber, and foods.

Colorado
CO S 48  Locally Foods Local Jobs
Status: Enacted - Session Law Chaptered. Chapter No. 16
Date of Last Action: 03/15/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Schwartz (D)
Topics: Food Safety
Summary: Concerns the creation of the Colorado Cottage Foods Act for locally produced home foods sold directly to consumers, exempts nonprofit organization from liability for injuries caused by donated foods purchased pursuant to the Act, provides for the use of school or nonprofit organization kitchens pursuant to the Act, authorizes persons to use a home kitchen or certain other kitchens to produce food for sale if that food meets certain criteria, makes changes concerning the transportation of eggs.
CO H 1037  Agricultural Product Wholesale Classification
Status: Enacted - Session Law Chaptered. Chapter No. 251
Date of Last Action: 06/04/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Becker (R)
Topics: Agricultural Products
Summary:
Classifies the sales of certain agricultural items as wholesale sales rather than retail sales, states that sales of agricultural compounds to be consumed by, administered to, or otherwise used in caring for livestock, semen for agricultural or ranching purposes and pesticides that are registered by the commissioner of agriculture for use in the production of agricultural and livestock products will not be subject to sales tax.

CO H 1097  Retail Food Establishments Civil Penalties
Status: Enacted - Session Law Chaptered. Chapter No. 78
Date of Last Action: 04/06/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Summers (R)
Topics: Food Safety
Summary:
Concerns civil penalties for retail food establishments, specifies that proceedings to suspend or revoke the license of a retail food establishment may be commenced only after the imposition of other civil penalties.

CO H 1099  Industrial Hemp Remediation Pilot Program
Status: Enacted - Session Law Chaptered. Chapter No. 253
Date of Last Action: 06/04/2012 - Enacted*
Author: McKinley (D)
Topics: Agricultural Products
Summary:
Establishes an industrial hemp remediation pilot program to study how soils and water may be made more pristine and healthy by phytoremediation, removal of contaminants and rejuvenation through the growth of industrial hemp.

CO H 1158  Inedible Meat Rendering and Processing Act Repeal
Status: Enacted - Session Law Chaptered. Chapter No. 13
Date of Last Action: 03/15/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Baumgardner (R)
Topics: Agricultural Products
Summary:
Concerns the regulation of producers of materials that may be used in commercial livestock feed, and, in connection therewith, repealing the Colorado inedible meat rendering and processing act of 1967 and relocating some of its provisions to the Colorado feed law.

CO H 1290  Healthy Landscapes Tax Checkoff
Status: Enacted - Session Law Chaptered. Chapter No. 140
Date of Last Action: 04/26/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Brown (R)
Topics: Invasive Species
Summary:
Concerns the voluntary contribution designation benefiting the Colorado for healthy landscapes fund that appears on the state individual income tax return forms.

**CO SJR 5**  
**4-H Day Designation**  
Status: Adopted - Adopted  
Date of Last Action: 01/30/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Schwartz (D)  
Topics: Miscellaneous  
Summary:  
Concerns the designation of January 30, 2012, as Colorado 4-h day.

**CO HJR 1015**  
**National Agriculture Day**  
Status: Adopted - Adopted  
Date of Last Action: 03/08/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Sonnenberg (R)  
Topics: Miscellaneous  
Summary:  
Concerns recognition of March 8, 2012, as national agriculture day.

**Connecticut**  
**CT S 57**  
**Licensure of Food Manufacturing Establishments**  
Status: Enacted - Public Act No. 12-95  
Date of Last Action: 06/08/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Joint General Law  
Topics: Food Safety  
Associated Bills: CT H 5021 - Similar; CT H 5023 - Similar; CT H 5025 - Similar; CT H 5054 - Similar; CT H 5056 - Similar; CT H 5057 - Similar; CT H 5058 - Similar; CT H 5087 - Similar; CT H 5089 - Similar; CT H 5117 - Similar; CT H 5141 - Similar; CT H 5143 - Similar; CT H 5306 - Similar; CT H 5327 - Similar; CT H 5329 - Similar; CT S 15 - Similar; CT S 59 - Similar; CT S 60 - Similar; CT S 71 - Similar; CT S 183 - Similar; CT S 207 - Similar; CT S 268 - Similar; CT S 269 - Similar; CT S 270 - Similar; CT S 271 - Similar; CT H 5126 - Similar; CT H 5143

Summary:  
Requires the licensure and oversight of food manufacturing establishments, requires that in order to obtain such license, a certificate of approval of the location for which such license is desired, must be obtained, provides such approval may be obtained from the zoning commission, planning and zoning commission, or local government authority, prohibits the employment of any person with a known infectious or communicable disease that can be transmitted through the food supply.

**CT H 5143**  
**Insurance Coverage**  
Status: Enacted - Public Act No. 12-123  
Date of Last Action: 06/15/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Joint Insurance and Real Estate  
Topics: Food Safety  
Associated Bills: CT H 5230 - Similar; CT S 90 - Similar; CT H 5021 - Similar; CT H 5023 - Similar; CT H 5025 - Similar; CT H 5054 - Similar; CT H 5056 - Similar; CT H 5057 - Similar; CT H 5058 - Similar; CT H 5087 - Similar; CT H 5089 - Similar; CT H 5117 - Similar; CT H
Summary:
Concerns insurance coverage for perishable food, requires insurers that provide coverage for spoilage of perishable food to cover perishable food that a food establishment donates to an emergency shelter, prohibits the donation of embargoed or food ordered destroyed, prohibits a tax deduction or credit for donated perishable food where payment from an insurer is received, provides immunity for specified food establishments that donates perishable food for use by a temporary emergency shelter.

**Delaware**

**DE SR 11**  
**Federal Food Safety Modernization Act**

Status: Adopted - Adopted  
Date of Last Action: 03/29/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Sokola (D)  
Topics: Food Safety  
Summary: Supports the federal food safety modernization act.

**Florida**

**FL H 1197**  
**Agriculture**

Status: Enacted - Filed as Chapter No. 2012-83  
Date of Last Action: 04/06/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Horner (R)  
Topics: Agricultural Products  
Summary: Relates to agriculture, relates to stormwater assessments, refunds of motor fuel taxes, citrus harvesting equipment operation, commercial stock feeds, apiculture, location of apiaries, honey certification and honeybees, farm winery certification, an exemption from the building code for farm signs, the authority of local governments to regulate apiculture, the classification and assessment of agricultural lands, fertilizer use, agritourism, farm theft, and the artificial dying of certain animals or fowl.

**FL H 1237**  
**Department of Citrus**

Status: Enacted - Filed as Chapter No. 2012-182  
Date of Last Action: 04/27/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Albritton (R)  
Topics: Agricultural Products | Agricultural Trade  
Summary: Relates to Department of Citrus powers regarding fruit exports, orange juice processor permits, citrus fruit maturity standards, disease and crop efficiency, marketing assessments, processed orange and grapefruit juice excise taxes, citrus fruit dealer licensee bond or certificates of deposit, shipping and field box standards, and canned orange and grapefruit juice labeling requirements.

**FL H 7021**  
**Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services**

Status: Enacted - Filed as Chapter No. 2012-190  
Date of Last Action: 04/27/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcmte
Topics: Agricultural Products | Food Safety | Livestock & Poultry

Summary:
Relates to Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to include conservation easement funding, mosquito control district use of substances, food safety, milkfat tester licensure, fertilizers containing nitrogen or phosphorous, commercial feed of feedstuff, soil and water districts, the inspection and vaccination of cattle for brucellosis, agricultural and silvicultural burning, aquaculture registration fees for schools, and the State Fair Authority.

**FL H 7117**  
Renewable Energy and Efficiency

Status: Enacted - Filed as Chapter No. 2012-117

Date of Last Action: 04/14/2012 - Enacted*

Author: Energy & Utilities Subcmte

Topics: Biotechnology

Summary:
Relates to energy, relates to utility site plans and renewable energy, local government infrastructure surtaxes and property energy efficiency improvement grants, exemptions for equipment and materials used for renewable energy and alternative fuel-related technologies, corporate tax credits for renewable energy production, electric utility tax refund exclusions, renewable portfolio standards, electric vehicle charging stations, gasoline-related definitions, algae cultivation, and a forest inventory.

**Georgia**

**GA H 60**  
Education

Status: Enacted - Act No. 80

Date of Last Action: 05/11/2011 - Enacted*

Author: Maddox G (R)  
Additional Authors: Black (R); Maddox G (R)

Topics: Veterinary Care

Summary:
Changes provisions relating to a service cancelable loan fund and authorized types of service cancelable educational loans, provides for a State Veterinary Education Board and its membership, powers, and duties, provides for purchases of loans made for educational purposes to students who have completed a veterinary medical degree program, provides for consideration for such purchases in the form of services rendered through the practice of specified veterinary medicine specialties in this state.

**GA H 225**  
Sustainable Agriculture

Status: Enacted - Act No. 60

Date of Last Action: 05/06/2011 - Enacted*

Author: Holmes (R)  
Additional Authors: McCall (R); England (R); Holmes (R)

Topics: Rural Economic Development

Summary:
Relates to general provisions relative to agriculture, so as to define the term sustainable agriculture, provides that it shall be the policy of this state to promote sustainable agriculture, repeals conflicting laws.

**GA S 300**  
Food Standards

Status: Enacted - Act No. 731

Date of Last Action: 05/02/2012 - Enacted*

Author: Bulloch (R)  
Additional Authors: Bulloch (R)

Topics: Food Safety
Summary:
Relates to definitions relative to adulteration and misbranding of food, excludes establishments selling sugar cane and sorghum syrup from the definition of food sales establishment, requires proper labeling of bottles containing sugar cane or sorghum syrup.

**GA S 324  Veterinary Medicine**
Status: Enacted - Act No. 633
Date of Last Action: 05/01/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Mullis (R) Additional Authors: Hooks (D); Mullis (R); Tolleson (R); Goggans (R); Jackson B (R); Wilkinson J (R)
Topics: Veterinary Care
Summary: Adds persons lawfully engaged in the art or profession of farriery to the list of persons exempt from the licensing and registration requirements for veterinary medicine or veterinary technology.

**GA H 409  Veterinarian Licensing and Registration**
Status: Enacted - Act No. 654
Date of Last Action: 05/01/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Maddox G (R) Additional Authors: Maddox G (R)
Topics: Veterinary Care
Summary: Relates to licensing and registration of veterinarians and veterinary technicians, revises provisions as to the application for a license to practice veterinary medicine, provides for a waiver under certain circumstances, revises certain provisions as to the scheduling and administration of examinations for veterinary technicians.

**GA SR 44  Legislative Resolution**
Status: Adopted - Adopted
Date of Last Action: 01/26/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Bulloch (R) Additional Authors: Bulloch (R)
Topics: Veterinary Care
Summary: Recognizes February 3, 2011, as Veterinary Medicine Day at the state capitol.

**GA HR 51  Recognition Resolution**
Status: Adopted - Adopted
Date of Last Action: 01/25/2011 - Enacted*
Author: McCall (R) Additional Authors: Powell A (R); McCall (R); Roberts (R); England (R); Pruett (R)
Topics: Livestock & Poultry - Horses
Summary: Recognizes February 16, 2011, as Equine Youth Day at the state capitol.

**GA HR 54  Recognition Resolution**
Status: Adopted - Adopted
Date of Last Action: 02/03/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Maddox G (R) Additional Authors: Black (R); Maddox G (R)
Topics: Veterinary Care
Summary:
Recognizes February 3, 2011, as Veterinary Medicine Day at the state capitol and inviting representatives from the Georgia veterinary medical community to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

**GA SR 662** Veterinary Medicine Day
Status: Adopted - Adopted
Date of Last Action: 01/10/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Bulloch (R) Additional Authors: Unterman (R); Hill Ja (R); Bulloch (R); Crosby (R); Sims F (D)
Topics: Veterinary Care
Summary:
Recognizes February 3, 2011, as Veterinary Medicine Day at the state capitol and inviting representatives from the Georgia veterinary medical community to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

**GA HR 1132** Veterinary Medicine Day
Status: Adopted - Adopted
Date of Last Action: 02/02/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Maddox G (R) Additional Authors: Maddox G (R)
Topics: Veterinary Care
Summary:
Recognizes February 2, 2012, as Veterinary Medicine Day at the state capitol and inviting representatives from the Georgia veterinary medical community to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

**Hawaii**
**HI S 101** Food Safety
Status: Enacted - Act No. 107
Date of Last Action: 06/14/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Shimabukuro (D) Additional Authors: Kim (D); Tsutsui (D); Kidani (D); Kouchi (D); Kahele (D)
Topics: Food Safety
Summary:
Provides that a producer of hand-pounded poi shall not be required to process poi in a certified food-processing establishment or be required to obtain a permit from the Department of Health, if the producer sells hand-pounded poi directly to consumers, prepares hand-pounded poi adjacent to permanent or temporary hand-washing facilities and complies with rules adopted by the department to protect the health and safety of the public.

**HI H 1568** Biosecurity and Inspection Facilities
Status: Enacted - Act No. 202
Date of Last Action: 07/08/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Tsuji (D) Additional Authors: Souki (D); Chong (D); Yamashita (D); Awana (D); Brower (D); Tokioka (D); Choy (D); Hashem (D); Riviere (R)
Topics: Agricultural Trade | Invasive Species
Summary:
Requires the Department of Transportation to coordinate with the Department of Agriculture to facilitate inspections of imported and exported agriculture and other inspected commodities at airports, requires the Department of Transportation to provide space at commercial harbors for biosecurity and
inspection facilities, requires the Department of Transportation and Department of Agriculture to design and construct biosecurity and inspection facilities for the Department of Agriculture at harbors.

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<td>06/15/2012 - Enacted*</td>
<td>Tsuji (D), Additional Authors: Ito (D); Chong (D); Tsuji (D); Awana (D); McKelvey (D); Hashem (D)</td>
<td>Invasive Species</td>
<td>Provides funding for detector-dog inspector positions within the Department of Agriculture pursuant to the plant quarantine detector-dog program.</td>
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<td>Continuing Education for Veterinarians</td>
<td>Enacted - Act No. 2012-306</td>
<td>07/09/2012 - Enacted*</td>
<td>Hashem (D)</td>
<td>Veterinary Care</td>
<td>Establishes a veterinary license renewal requirement of continuing education credit hours, provides for credit hours, provides for exemptions, provides for random audits.</td>
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<td>Enacted - Act No. 2012-114</td>
<td>06/15/2012 - Enacted*</td>
<td>Nishihara (D), Additional Authors: Nishihara (D)</td>
<td>Miscellaneous</td>
<td>Exempts from building permit requirements nonresidential buildings or structures on commercial farms and ranches located outside of the urban district under specified conditions, requires each county to develop a list of buildings and structures exempt from existing building permits requirements, specifies the structures to be included in the list, relates to fire inspections and wastewater disposal, requires the establishment of a task force to assess any conflicts between applicable state statutes.</td>
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<td>HI HR 27</td>
<td>Declaration Resolution</td>
<td>Adopted - Adopted</td>
<td>03/30/2012 - Enacted*</td>
<td>Awana (D), Additional Authors: Oshiro M (D); Choy (D); Rhoads (D); Mizuno (D); McKelvey (D); Brower (D); Awana (D); Tsuji (D); Nishimoto (D); Evans (D); Souki (D); Marumoto (R); Riviere (R)</td>
<td>Agricultural Products</td>
<td>Declares Sundays to be Eat Local, Buy Local Day in Hawaii and encouraging families, restaurants, and grocers to buy Hawaii grown foods, flowers and produce.</td>
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<td>HI HR 74</td>
<td>Convening Resolution</td>
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Status: Adopted - Adopted  
Date of Last Action: 04/13/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Tsuji (D)  Additional Authors: Chang (D);Nakashima (D);Choy (D);Mizuno (D);Brower (D);Awana (D);Yamashita (D);Tsuji (D);Evans (D);Hashem (D)  
Topics: Miscellaneous  
Summary:  
Convenes an agriculture policy task force to review agricultural policies from other states in providing for Hawaii’S agriculture industry.

Idaho  
ID H 513  
Honey  
Status: Enacted - Chaptered. Chapter No. 123  
Date of Last Action: 03/26/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Agricultural Affairs Cmt  
Topics: Agricultural Products  
Summary:  
Amends and adds to existing law relating to honey to revise the duties of the Idaho Honey Advertising Commission, provides for rulemaking, provides for sampling and analysis, provides for penalties for violations, provides for stops sale, use or removal orders, provides for the seizure and disposal of certain honey.

Illinois  
IL SR 665  
Legislative Resolution  
Status: Adopted - Adopted  
Date of Last Action: 04/26/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Harmon (D)  Additional Authors: Mulroe (D);Millner (R);Collins J (D);Frerichs (D);Jones (D);Koehler (D);Holmes (D);Sandoval (D);Martinez (D);Munoz (D);Silverstein (D);Schoenberg (D)  
Topics: Miscellaneous  
Summary:  
Urges Congress to develop a Farm Bill that protects and strengthens federal food and nutrition programs.

IL S 745  
Video Gaming Act  
Status: Enacted - Public Act No. 594  
Date of Last Action: 08/26/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Forby (D)  Additional Authors: Mayfield (D)  
Topics: Livestock & Poultry - Horses  
Summary:  
Amends the the Video Gaming Act, provides that a licensed fraternal establishment or licensed veterans establishment that does not hold a liquor license may operate video gaming terminals if located in a municipality within a county with a specified population based on the U.S. Census and the municipality or county prohibits or limits the sale of alcohol by ordinance in a way that prohibits the establishment from selling alcohol.

IL S 840  
Food Handling Regulation Enforcement Act  
Status: Enacted - Public Act No. 393  
Date of Last Action: 08/16/2011 - Enacted*
Amends the Food Handling Regulation Enforcement Act, provides that cottage food operations may not be regulated providing certain conditions are met, provides that if a qualified entity receives a consumer complaint, believes a health hazard exists, or that a product has been misbranded, adulterated, or not in compliance, then it may invoke cessation of sales, provides for regulation of service of food by a cottage food operation under certain conditions, includes baked goods and farmers' markets.

**IL HR 861**

**Legislative Resolution**

**Status:** Adopted - Adopted

**Date of Last Action:** 05/15/2012 - Enacted*

**Author:** Harris (D) Additional Authors: Bellock (R); Gabel (D); Hernandez (D); Mussman (D); Biss (D); Thapedi (D); D'Amico (D); Jakobsson (D); Davis W (D); Berrios (D); Turner (D); Feighenbottlz (D); Lyons J (D); Cassidy (D)

**Topics:** Miscellaneous

**Summary:** Urges Congress to develop the 2012 Farm Bill with a Strong Title IV that protects and strengthens federal food and nutrition programs.

**IL H 1170**

**Bovine Brucellosis Eradication Act**

**Status:** Enacted - Public Act No. 25

**Date of Last Action:** 06/28/2011 - Enacted*

**Author:** Phelps (D) Additional Authors: Sullivan J (D); Noland (D)

**Topics:** Livestock & Poultry | Livestock & Poultry - Health

**Summary:** Amends the Livestock Auction Market Law and the Bovine Brucellosis Eradication Act, provides that cattle consigned to livestock auction markets or marketing centers may enter without test or certificate of health showing them to be free from Brucellosis, provides that the Department may require that these animals must be negative to an official test for Brucellosis before they are removed to a farm, makes other corresponding changes, amends the Swine Brucellosis Eradication Act.

**IL S 1852**

**Food Handling Regulation Enforcement**

**Status:** Enacted - Public Act No. 394

**Date of Last Action:** 08/16/2011 - Enacted*

**Author:** Luechtefeld (R) Additional Authors: Collins J (D); Althoff (R); Sandoval (D); Hutchinson (D); Koehler (D); Wilhelm (D); Frerichs (D); Hunter (D); Sullivan J (D); Noland (D); Sandack (R); Cultra (R); Bivins (R); Collins A (D); McCann (R); Johnson (R); Holmes (D); Bost (R); Verschoore (D); Arroyo (D); Hays (R); Watson J (R); Mendoza (D); Thapedi (D); Berrios (D); Sacia (R); Dugan (D)

**Topics:** Food Safety

**Summary:** Provides for the formation of the Farmers' Market Task Force to assist in enacting statewide administrative regulations for farmers' markets, provides for appointment of members of the Task Force and their corresponding duties, sets forth provisions concerning the statewide farmers' market food
safety and licensing guidelines, makes corresponding changes in the Sanitary Food Preparation Act, provides for the adoption of rules concerning labels, sanitation, and food product safety.

**IL H 3012**  
**Innkeepers Lien Act**  
**Status:** Enacted - Public Act No. 569  
**Date of Last Action:** 08/25/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Osmond (R) Additional Authors: Beaubien (R); Tracy (R); Cole (R); Hammond (R); Murphy (R)  
**Topics:** Livestock & Poultry | Livestock & Poultry - Horses  
**Summary:** Amends the Innkeepers Lien Act, provides that stable keepers shall have a lien for unpaid expenses that is enforceable through the sale of the horse or property, provides that the keeper shall serve a written demand for payment on the owner prior to a sale, provides that there shall be a public sale unless the boarding agreement provides authorization for a private sale, provides that the demand for payment include an appraisal of the value of the horse and property if the keeper seeks to obtain the horse.

**Indiana**  
**IN H 1279**  
**Various Natural Resources Matters**  
**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 151  
**Date of Last Action:** 03/19/2012 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Eberhart (R)  
**Topics:** Invasive Species  
**Summary:** Relates to various natural resources matters, moves the State Land Office from the Indiana Department of Administration to the Department of Natural Resources, increases the amount that an office of Department of Natural Resources or the Department of State Revenue must deposit on the business day following receipt from $100 to $500, increases the time period within which each parcel of land classified as native forest land, a forest plantation, or wildlands must be inspected from five years to seven years, makes the invasive species pilot program a permanent program.

**IN H 1298**  
**Transportation of Food Products**  
**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 108  
**Date of Last Action:** 03/16/2012 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Davis (R)  
**Topics:** Food Safety  
**Summary:** Relates to transportation of food products, provides that a person who operates a motor vehicle for the transportation of food without complying with food transportation health rules commits an infraction, authorizes a law enforcement officer to inspect and impound a motor vehicle that does not comply with health rules, provides that a health inspector may order the disposal of certain food and the impoundment of non-complying motor vehicles, relates to a local health department.

**IN H 1312**  
**Sale of Poultry At Farmers Markets**  
**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 86  
**Date of Last Action:** 03/15/2012 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Ellspermann (R)  
**Topics:** Agricultural Products | Food Safety  
**Summary:**
Relates to sale of poultry at farmer's markets, provides that an individual vendor of a farmer's market or roadside stand is not considered to be a food establishment if their food product is made, grown, or raised by an individual at the individual's primary residence or property owned or leased by the individual, exempts a farmer's market or roadside stand vendor from meat inspection requirements, require that poultry processed under this section be frozen at the point of sale and labeled.

**Iowa**

**IA S 478**  
**Neglected Livestock**

**Status:**  
Enacted - Chapter No. 81

**Date of Last Action:**  
04/20/2011 - Enacted*

**Author:**  
Agriculture Cmt

**Topics:**  
Livestock & Poultry | Livestock & Poultry - Health

**Associated Bills:**  
IA H 591 - Companion

**Summary:**
Changes the name of the Manure Storage Indemnity Fund to the Livestock Remediation Fund, provides that moneys in the fund may be used for the payment of expenses incurred pursuant to the care and feeding of neglected livestock, authorizes court orders and related liens.

**IA H 557**  
**Movement of Swine**

**Status:**  
Enacted - Chapter No. 84

**Date of Last Action:**  
04/20/2011 - Enacted*

**Author:**  
Agriculture Cmt

**Topics:**  
Livestock & Poultry

**Summary:**
Relates to swine moved to or from exhibitions, requires the sponsor of an exhibition to retain a veterinarian to supervise the health of such swine, requires the sponsor to submit an exhibition report with specified information, includes pseudorabies in the definition of infectious or contagious disease.

**IA H 589**  
**Agricultural Production Facility Fraud**

**Status:**  
Enacted - Chapter No. 1005

**Date of Last Action:**  
03/02/2012 - Enacted*

**Author:**  
Agriculture Cmt

**Topics:**  
Miscellaneous

**Associated Bills:**  
IA H 431 - Companion; IA S 341 - Companion; IA S 431 - Companion

**Summary:**
Provides for the offense of agricultural production facility fraud, provides that a person is guilty of such offense when that person obtains access to an agricultural production facility by false pretenses or makes a false statement with a certain intent as part of an application to be employed at an agricultural production facility, specifies penalties for violations.

**IA H 2092**  
**Farmers Market**

**Status:**  
Enacted - Chapter No. 1064

**Date of Last Action:**  
04/05/2012 - Enacted*

**Author:**  
Kaufmann (R)

**Topics:**  
Agricultural Products | Food Safety

**Summary:**
Provides for the year-round operation of farmers markets for Iowa-produced farm products, requires an annual license fee, provides that farmers market means a marketplace which seasonally operates
principally as a common market for Iowa-produced farm products on a retail basis for off-the-premises consumption, provides that for a farmers market where potentially hazardous food is sold or distributed, one annual license fee of one hundred dollars for each vendor.

**IA HR 41**  
**Reaffirming Iowa's Sister State Relationship**
- **Status:** Adopted - Adopted
- **Date of Last Action:** 04/29/2011 - Enacted*
- **Author:** Anderson (R)
- **Topics:** Agricultural Trade
- **Summary:** Provides that reaffirming Iowa's sister state relationship with the Republic of China, and encouraging the United States government to include Taiwan in the United States Visa Waiver Program.

**Kansas**

**KS S 148**  
**Water Rights**
- **Status:** Enacted - Chapter No. 2012-133
- **Date of Last Action:** 05/21/2012 - Enacted*
- **Author:** Agriculture Cmt
- **Topics:** Veterinary Care
- **Summary:** Concerns water, relates to the division of a water right, relates to project permits for sand and gravel operations.

**KS S 186**  
**Pesticide Licenses**
- **Status:** Enacted - Chapter No. 2011-16
- **Date of Last Action:** 03/31/2011 - Enacted*
- **Author:** Agriculture Cmt
- **Topics:** Agricultural Chemicals & Fertilizers
- **Summary:** Relates to pesticides and the pest control act, provides for a hearing prior to denial, suspension or revocation of license, registration or certification, relates to suspension of a pesticide business license for failure to employ certified commercial applicators until the pesticide business employs a commercial applicator with the appropriate certification.

**KS H 2282**  
**Lodge Inspections and Food Safety Fees**
- **Status:** Enacted - Chapter No. 2011-73
- **Date of Last Action:** 05/12/2011 - Enacted*
- **Author:** Agriculture and Natural Resources Cmt
- **Topics:** Food Safety
- **Summary:** Relates to lodge inspections and food safety fees, creates the lodging fee fund, relates to the the food service and lodging act, relates to the fee for a license to conduct a lodging establishment in this state, creates the food safety fee fund.

**KS H 2730**  
**Food Safety and Lodging Establishments**
- **Status:** Enacted - Chapter No. 2012-145
- **Date of Last Action:** 05/25/2012 - Enacted*
- **Author:** Agriculture and Natural Resources Cmt
Topics: Food Safety
Summary: Relates to food safety and lodging establishments, relates to licensure and fees of lodging establishments, provides that a guest house shall not be required to have a lodging license, provides for inspection fees for food establishments and food processing plants, provides that processing includes the handling of a food, drug, cosmetic or device, including production, manufacturing, packaging, packing and labeling, includes meat inspections and pesticide chemicals, provides for hearings.

Kentucky

KY H 344 Release of Wild Hogs or Pigs
Status: Enacted - Act No. 82
Date of Last Action: 04/11/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Rudy (R) Additional Authors: Nesler (D); McKee (D); Henley (D); Dossett (R); Stone (D)
Topics: Invasive Species
Summary: Relates to the release of wild hogs or pigs, prohibits releasing a feral or wild hog into the wild, prohibits hunting, fishing, trapping, or being a commercial guide for a period of ten years upon conviction of a violation.

KY HR 128 Legislative Resolution
Status: Adopted - Adopted
Date of Last Action: 02/22/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Stone (D) Additional Authors: Westrom (D); Gooch (D); McKee (D); Denham (D); Bell (D); Meredith (R); Quarles (R)
Topics: Agricultural Trade
Summary: Urges the Presidential Administration, the U.S. Trade Representative, and the United States Department of Agriculture Secretary to include tobacco and tobacco products within the scope of the Trans-Pacific Partnership trade agreement currently being negotiated.

KY SR 130 Legislative Resolution
Status: Adopted - Adopted
Date of Last Action: 02/06/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Hornback (R) Additional Authors: Clark P (D); Jones (D); Higdon (R); Rhoads (D); Thayer (R); Ridley (D); Bowen (R); Harper Angel (D); Carroll (D); Gibson (R); Jensen (R); Winters (R); Smith B (R); Givens (R); Schickel (R); Carpenter (R); Parrett (D); Turner J (D); Stivers (R); Webb (D); Stein (D); Blevins (D); Buford (R); Denton (R); Leeper (I); Seum (R); Westwood (R); Neal (D); Pendleton (D); Kerr A (R); Harris (R); McGaha (R); Palmer (D); Shaughnessy (D); Williams (R); Wilson M (R)
Topics: Agricultural Trade
Summary: Urges the Presidential Administration, the U.S. Trade Representative, and the United States Department of Agriculture Secretary to include tobacco and tobacco products within the scope of the Trans-Pacific Partnership trade agreement currently being negotiated.

Louisiana
**LA S 151**  
**Pesticide Records Retention Requirements**  
Status: Enacted - Act No. 147  
Date of Last Action: 05/14/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Thompson (D)  
Topics: Agricultural Chemicals & Fertilizers  
Summary: Requires owner-operators of businesses engaged in the application of pesticides keep certain records for a specified number of years, requires pesticide dealers keep records for a specified number of years, specifies that agricultural consultants retain a copy of pesticide use recommendations, provides that the Pesticide Fund be used for the expenses of the office of animal health and food safety, authorizes the Structural Pest Control Commission to issue subpoenas to produce documents or records.

**Maine**  
**ME H 55**  
**Standardbred Horse Breeding**  
Status: Enacted - Public Law No. 2011-16  
Date of Last Action: 03/31/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Cray (R)  
Topics: Livestock & Poultry | Livestock & Poultry - Horses  
Summary: Provides that state Standardbred stallions registered in the state on January 1st of the breeding year may breed with mares in the state, provides that a stallion that is not registered on January 1st may breed upon payment of the registration fee and a late payment fee.

**ME S 71**  
**Farm Wineries**  
Status: Enacted - Public Law No. 2011-48  
Date of Last Action: 04/25/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Rector (R)  
Topics: Agricultural Products  
Summary: Provides that the holder of a farm winery license from the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Liquor Enforcement may display up to 25 bottles in the windows of any premises maintained and licensed as permitted premises under paragraph C where wine produced by the holder of the farm winery license is sold.

**ME H 116**  
**Salmon Fisheries and Invasive Fish Species**  
Status: Enacted - Public Law No. 2011-24  
Date of Last Action: 04/11/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Davis P (R)  
Topics: Invasive Species  
Summary: Prohibits the construction of a fishway or fish bypass structure at the dam on the outlet of Sebec Lake in the Town of Sebec and at the dam on the Sebec River in the Town of Milo that would allow the upstream passage of an invasive fish species known to be present downstream in the Piscataquis River or Penobscot River drainage.

**ME H 154**  
**Licensed Veterinarian Prescriptions**  
Status: Enacted - Public Law No. 2011-30  
Date of Last Action: 04/15/2011 - Enacted*
**Author:** Shaw M (D)  
**Topics:** Veterinary Care  
**Summary:** Provides that a licensed veterinarian may sell and dispense the written prescription of another licensed veterinarian with respect to any prescription or administration of a drug, medicine or nutritional substance on, for or to any animal in accordance with specified provisions.

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<td><strong>ME H 159</strong> Invasive Terrestrial Plant Sales</td>
<td>Prohibits the sale of Elaeagnus angustifolia, a shrub commonly called Russian olive, directs the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to adopt rules establishing criteria for evaluating nonnative plant species for designation as invasive terrestrial plants, provides for a list of plants meeting the criteria for invasive terrestrial plants would be established in rule and those plants prohibited from sale.</td>
<td>Enacted - Resolve No. 2011-65</td>
<td>06/08/2011 - Enacted*</td>
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<td><strong>ME H 181</strong> Pesticide Notification Requirements</td>
<td>Repeals the laws requiring the development and maintenance of a registry of the properties of residents, lessees and property owners who request that their properties be placed on the registry in order to receive advance notification of the outdoor application of pesticides, directs the Board of Pesticides Control to establish a distance from an aerial application of pesticides within which a person is entitled to receive notification of the application.</td>
<td>Enacted - Public Law No. 2011-332</td>
<td>06/14/2011 - Enacted*</td>
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<td>Agricultural Chemicals &amp; Fertilizers</td>
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<td><strong>ME H 205</strong> Aquatic Nuisance Species Laws</td>
<td>Broadens the definition of aquatic plant in the laws governing the control of aquatic nuisance species, provides that a vacancy of a public position on the Interagency Task Force on Invasive Aquatic Plants and Nuisance Species may be filled by a person who does not represent a particular constituency if after 6 months of a vacancy on the task force the Governor cannot fill that vacancy.</td>
<td>Enacted - Public Law No. 2011-47</td>
<td>04/25/2011 - Enacted*</td>
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Changes the qualifications of certain members of the Board of Pesticides Control, repeals provisions requiring that one member be a scientist specializing in agronomy or entomology and provisions requiring that members of the public on the Board must have a demonstrated interest in environmental protection.

**ME S 436**  
**Wild Mushroom Harvesting Certification Program**

**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 2011-412  
**Date of Last Action:** 06/29/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Langley (R)  
**Topics:** Agricultural Products  
**Summary:** Establishes the Maine Wild Mushroom Harvesting Certification Program, provides a mechanism for persons who harvest, broker and sell wild mushrooms to obtain appropriate certification in safe identification and handling of wild harvested mushrooms, provides for administration by the Department of Health and Human Services, provides for an advisory committee.

**ME H 439**  
**Fish and Wildlife Program Funds**

**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 2011-74  
**Date of Last Action:** 05/16/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Davis P (R)  
**Topics:** Invasive Species  
**Summary:** Amends the Lake and River Protection Fund to allow money in the fund may be used for enforcing laws pertaining to invasive aquatic plants and nuisance species.

**ME H 682**  
**Small Slaughterhouse Laws**

**Status:** Enacted - Resolve No. 2011-66  
**Date of Last Action:** 06/08/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** McCabe (D)  
**Topics:** Livestock & Poultry  
**Summary:** (Resolve)Provides that the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources shall examine the laws and rules governing slaughterhouses with particular emphasis on obstacles that prevent slaughterhouses from processing many different species of animals as efficiently and safely as possible.

**Maryland**

**MD H 99**  
**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene**

**Status:** Enacted - Chapter No. 648  
**Date of Last Action:** 05/22/2012 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Kipke (R)  
**Topics:** Food Safety  
**Summary:** Requires the operator of a certain semipermanent food service facility to meet certain requirements regarding wastewater disposal and access to a potable water supply.

**MD S 142**  
**Secretary of Agriculture**

**Status:** Enacted - Chapter No. 32  
**Date of Last Action:** 04/10/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Education/Health & Environmental Affairs Cmt
Topics: Livestock & Poultry | Livestock & Poultry - Health
Summary:
Authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a farm quarantine for a specified purpose on a farm infected or infested with a pathogen, authorizes the Secretary to examine specified practices in accordance with specified standards, designate a specified person to conduct a specified inspection, and accept specified assistance from specified federal agencies, requires the Secretary to deny access to specified information subject to a specified exception.

**MD H 167 Commercial Feed**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 652
Date of Last Action: 05/22/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Hucker (D)
Topics: Livestock & Poultry | Livestock & Poultry - Health
Associated Bills: MD S 207 - Crossfiled with
Summary:
Prohibits a person from using, selling, or distributing specified commercial feed intended for use as poultry feed that contains roxarsone or any other additive that contains arsenic, authorizes a person to use, sell, or distribute commercial feed that contains histostat, provides that such provisions shall be abrogated upon certain findings by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

**MD H 399 Cottage Food Business**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 256
Date of Last Action: 05/02/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Pena-Melnyk (D)
Topics: Food Safety
Associated Bills: MD S 550 - Crossfiled with
Summary:
Provides that a cottage food business is not required, under specified circumstances, to be licensed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, provides that the owner of a cottage food business may sell only cottage food products that are stored on specified premises and prepackaged with a specified label, requires the owner of a cottage food business to comply with specified county and municipal laws and ordinances, relates to investigations of such businesses.

**MD S 550 Cottage Food Business**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 255
Date of Last Action: 05/02/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Montgomery (D)
Topics: Food Safety
Associated Bills: MD H 399 - Crossfiled with
Summary:
Provides that a cottage food business is not required to be licensed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, provides that a cottage food business may only sell products that are stored on the premises and prepackaged with a label containing specified information, provides that the Department may investigate complaints, that the owner may not refuse to grant access, and that the investigation may include a sampling of a cottage food product to determine if the product is misbranded or adulterated.
**MD H 841**  
**Food Service Facilities - Open Windows and Doors**  
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 399  
Date of Last Action: 05/02/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Frick (D)  
Topics: Food Safety  
Associated Bills: MD S 634 - Crossfiled with  
Summary: Authorizes a food service facility to operate with the outer doors and outer windows of the facility open unless the local health department finds evidence of vermin or flying insects while the facility is open in this manner, requires the facility to take actions, authorizes the local health department to take actions.

**Massachusetts**  
**MA S 1904**  
**Lakes and Ponds From Aquatic Nuisances**  
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 444-2012  
Date of Last Action: 01/09/2013 - Enacted*  
Author: Ways and Means Cmt  
Topics: Invasive Species  
Associated Bills: 2011 MA H 3908 - New Text see; 2011 MA S 347 - New Draft of  
Summary: Protects lakes and ponds from aquatic nuisances, includes boat transporters, provides for an aquatic nuisance control program.

**Michigan**  
**MI HCR 7**  
**Army Corps of Engineers**  
Status: Adopted - Adopted  
Date of Last Action: 06/09/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Johnson J (R)  
Topics: Invasive Species  
Summary: Urges the U.S. Congress and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to take immediate actions to prevent the Asian carp from entering the Great Lakes and to develop long-term strategies to address this problem.

**MI SR 7**  
**Asian Carp**  
Status: Adopted - Adopted  
Date of Last Action: 03/03/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Walker (R)  
Topics: Invasive Species  
Summary: Expresses support for the Attorney General's efforts to accelerate federal government efforts to devise a plan to prevent Asian carp from invading the Great Lakes, calls on the Snyder administration and the Obama administration to take all necessary actions to prevent the invasion.

**MI HCR 8**  
**Asian Carp**  
Status: Adopted - Adopted  
Date of Last Action: 06/09/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Pettalia (R)  
Topics: Invasive Species  
Summary:
Urges the U.S. Congress to make every effort to expedite and fund the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Basin Interbasin Study and to ensure Asian carp do not invade the Great Lakes.

**MI HR 14**  
**Asian Carp**  
**Status:** Adopted - Adopted  
**Date of Last Action:** 02/24/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Foster (R)  
**Topics:** Invasive Species  
**Summary:**  
Expresses support for the Attorney General's efforts to accelerate federal government efforts to devise a plan to prevent Asian carp from invading the Great Lakes, calls on the Snyder administration and the Obama administration to take all necessary actions to prevent the invasion.

**MI HR 15**  
**Asian Carp**  
**Status:** Adopted - Adopted  
**Date of Last Action:** 02/24/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Hughes (R)  
**Topics:** Invasive Species  
**Summary:**  
Urges the U.S. Congress to make every effort to expedite and fund the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Basin Interbasin Study and to ensure Asian carp do not invade the Great Lakes.

**MI HR 16**  
**Asian Carp**  
**Status:** Adopted - Adopted  
**Date of Last Action:** 02/24/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Damrow (R)  
**Topics:** Invasive Species  
**Summary:**  
Urges the U.S. Congress and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to take immediate actions to prevent the Asian carp from entering the Great Lakes and to develop long-term strategies to address this problem.

**MI SCR 18**  
**Asian Carp**  
**Status:** Adopted - Adopted  
**Date of Last Action:** 10/13/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Walker (R)  
**Topics:** Invasive Species  
**Summary:**  
Memorializes Congress to take immediate action to close the O'Brien Lock and Dam in the Chicago Waterway System to prevent Asian carp from entering Lake Michigan and the Great Lakes watershed.

**MI HCR 30**  
**Aquatic Invasive Species**  
**Status:** Adopted - Adopted  
**Date of Last Action:** 06/16/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Franz (R)  
**Topics:** Invasive Species  
**Summary:**  
Declares June 11-19, 2011, as Aquatic Invasive Species Awareness Week in State.
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<td>Casperson (R)</td>
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<td>Requires the Aquatic Invasive Species Advisory Council to recommend federal ballast water standard, provides that the council shall develop recommendations regarding this state's comments on the draft next vessel general permit and certification response to the draft next vessel general permit under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.</td>
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<td>Aquatic Invasive Species Advisory Council</td>
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Summary:
Establishes the Aquatic Invasive Species Advisory Council to address updating and implementing a comprehensive AIS management plan, developing and adopting model programs to address AIS, and working cooperatively with other Great Lakes States and provinces to ensure a coordinated and consistent response to AIS.

**MI S 510 Aquatic Invasive Species**
Status: Enacted - Public Act No. 286
Date of Last Action: 12/21/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Hansen (R)
Topics: Invasive Species
Summary:
Requires an advisory council to recommend laws to the legislature to prevent aquatic invasive species introduction through trade pathways, provides that the council shall recommend risk assessment processes to screen aquatic species proposed for trade and to screen pathways of introduction and spread.

**MI H 4567 Equine Testing**
Status: Enacted - Public Act No. 121
Date of Last Action: 07/20/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Somerville (R)
Topics: Livestock & Poultry
Summary:
Provides that a person shall not more equidae into the state from another state unless the equidae have had an official equine infectious anemia test with a negative result within a specified time period, provides the person in control of the equidae shall be in possession of an official interest health certificate, or interstate certificate of veterinary inspection regarding the latest test, provides there shall be no change of equidae within the state unless such test is performed with a negative result.

**MI H 5130 Food Services Regulation**
Status: Enacted - Public Act No. 178
Date of Last Action: 06/19/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Denby (R)
Topics: Agricultural Products | Food Safety
Summary:
Modifies food services laws and regulations to include agricultural products and pesticides, food additives, slaughterhouses, confections, cottage food operations and products, farmer's markets, shellfish processing and sanitation, state bridge cards, food labeling, perishable foods, vending machine, food service training, foodborne illness, mobile and transitory food units, grain dealers, fruits and vegetables processing, prepackaged food, raw animal foods, and eggs size and handling requirements.

**Minnesota**
**MN S 396 Agriculture**
Status: Enacted - Filed with Secretary of State. Chapter No. 203
Date of Last Action: 04/20/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Magnus (R)
Topics: Livestock & Poultry | Livestock & Poultry - Horses
Summary:
Relates to agriculture, modifies the classification of horses as livestock, provides that a horse breeding farm, horse training farm, horse boarding farm, or a farm combining those purposes is an agricultural operation.

**MN S 477**  
**Nonprofit Home-Prepared Food Donation**  
**Status:** Enacted - Filed with Secretary of State. Chapter No. 92  
**Date of Last Action:** 05/27/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Howe (R)  
**Topics:** Food Safety  
**Summary:**
Modifies an exemption to the food, beverage, and lodging establishments statutes regarding inspections of prepared food, provides that a school kitchen or school cafeteria is not a school concession stand, exempts weddings and funerals conducted by a faith-based organization, relates to sportsman events held at an organization at which home-prepared food is donated by organization members for sale at the events, provides for fundraisers and food service events following a disaster.

**MN S 1115**  
**Natural Resources**  
**Status:** Enacted - Filed with Secretary of State. Chapter No. 107  
**Date of Last Action:** 05/27/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Ingebrigtsen (R)  
**Topics:** Invasive Species  
**Summary:**
Relates to natural resources, pesticide control, peatland protection, fees, invasive species, commercial aquatic plants and fish harvesting permits, aquatic macrophytes, water trails, recreational vehicle operating provisions, dual motorcycle registration, nonresident trail passes, watercraft titling, oxygenated gasoline requirements, waste management, landfill cleanup programs, environmental review, transporting and inspecting water-related equipment, recycling, conservation officers and peace officers.

**Mississippi**  
**MS H 634**  
**Bureau of Plant Industry**  
**Status:** Enacted - Chapter No. 502  
**Date of Last Action:** 05/01/2012 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Sullivan (D)  
**Topics:** Biotechnology  
**Summary:**
Includes violations of the law regulating plant diseases, pests, bees, and bee diseases under the administrative hearing procedures for the Bureau of Plant Industry, prohibit the cultivation of certain nonnative plant species for the purpose of fuel production without having first obtained a special permit from the department of agriculture and commerce for such cultivation, establishes a remedy for removal and destruction of nuisance nonnative plant species, provides criminal penalties for violations.

**Nebraska**  
**NE L 28**  
**Chemigation Permits and Applications**  
**Status:** Enacted - Signed by Governor  
**Date of Last Action:** 02/22/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Langemeier (NP)  
**Topics:** Agricultural Chemicals & Fertilizers
Summary:
Changes provisions relating to chemigation, requires a permit from the district where an injection well or diversion is located, requires permit application information to be maintained in the district and provided to the department upon request, requires annual reports to show the actual number of applications received, the number of applications approved, the number of inspections and the name of all chemicals used in chemigation systems within the district during the previous year.

**NE L 107**  
**Grain Sorghum Development**  
Status: Enacted - Signed by Governor  
Date of Last Action: 05/17/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Carlson (NP)  
Topics: Agricultural Products  
Summary:  
Changes Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board provisions, provides for membership and appointment from specified counties.

**NE L 114**  
**Standard and Labeling Restrictions for Honey**  
Status: Enacted - Signed by Governor  
Date of Last Action: 03/10/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Dubas (NP)  
Topics: Agricultural Products  
Summary:  
Provides a standard and labeling restrictions for honey, provides that the Department of Agriculture shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations that adopt a standard for all honeys produced by honey bees, provides that a product shall not be labeled as honey or be labeled as to imply that the product is honey unless the product meets the standard for honey adopted by the Department of Agriculture.

**NE L 305**  
**State Meat and Poultry Inspection Program**  
Status: Enacted - Signed by Governor  
Date of Last Action: 05/11/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Larson (NP)  
Topics: Livestock & Poultry  
Summary:  
Relates to agriculture, states intent to implement a state meat and poultry inspection program under federal law, provides for a fee-for-service system for inspections, provides powers and duties to the Department of Agriculture, changes permitted use of the Commercial Feed Administration Cash Fund, requires a report on inspections, provides for defraying expenses of a cooperative agreement with the U. S. Department of Agriculture Market News reporting program.

**NE L 391**  
**Invasive Species Council**  
Status: Enacted - Signed by Governor  
Date of Last Action: 04/05/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Schilz (NP)  
Topics: Invasive Species  
Summary:  
Creates the state Invasive Species Council, provides for authorized inspections by conservation officers and peace officers, provides that no person shall possess or sell aquatic invasive species, provides for
inspection, decontamination and treatment of aquatic conveyances capable of transporting aquatic invasive species, provides a penalty for inspection refusal.

**NE L 686  Veterinary Medicine and Bovine Embryo Transplantation**

Status: Enacted - Signed by Governor  
Date of Last Action: 03/14/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Schilz (NP)  
Topics: Veterinary Care  
Summary:  
Provides an exception from the Veterinary Medicine and Surgery Practice Act for a person performing a retrievable transplantation of embryos on bovine, including recovering, freezing, and transferring embryos on bovine, if the procedure is being performed by a person who holds a doctorate degree in animal science with an emphasis in reproductive physiology from an accredited college or university and has and can show proof of valid professional liability insurance.

**NE L 687  Veterinarian Locum Tenens**

Status: Enacted - Signed by Governor  
Date of Last Action: 05/18/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Schilz (NP)  
Topics: Veterinary Care  
Summary:  
Relates to the Uniform Credentialing Act, provides for issuance of a veterinarian locum tenens, provides for issuance of such temporary permit to a veterinarian with an active license to practice veterinary medicine and surgery in another state if the requirements are equal or exceed the standards for education and licensure in the state.

**NE L 770  Seed Testing Law**

Status: Enacted - Signed by Governor  
Date of Last Action: 03/07/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Carlson (NP)  
Topics: Invasive Species  
Summary:  
Changes the state seed law, provides that all seed sold shall be labeled on the basis of tests performed by a seed laboratory using Rules for Testing Seeds adopted by the Association of Official Seed Analysts, deletes certain noxious weed seeds from the primary noxious weed seeds list.

**NE L 771  Food Establishment and Food Safety**

Status: Enacted - Signed by Governor  
Date of Last Action: 03/07/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Carlson (NP)  
Topics: Food Safety  
Summary:  
Changes the Nebraska Pure Food Act, changes and eliminates food establishment and food safety provisions, relates to permits and permit fees for a food establishment, a food processing plant or a food salvage operation, provides that mobile food units shall have a copy of their permit to operate available at the mobile food unit or pushcart when in operation, provides that potentially hazardous food shall be kept at a certain temperature and in a certain manner.
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**Summary:**

- NE LR 68: Congratulates Dr. Bill Ohlmann for being selected as Veterinarian of the Year for 2010.
- NE LR 69: Congratulates Jackie Ohlmann for being selected as 2010 Member of the Year for the Auxiliary to the Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association.
- NH H 30: Allows persons who received a certificate from PAVE, the Program for the Assessment of Veterinary Education Equivalence, to apply for license reciprocity with the board of veterinary medicine, relates to veterinarians from a foreign veterinary school.
- NH H 234: Redefines the definition of food processing plants to exclude operations that process food under the oversight of the Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food.
- NH H 325: Relates to the transfer of animals from licensed animal vendors, allows transferees to accept a sick or injured animal if the transferee has knowledge of the sickness or injury and so long as the illness is not contagious, requires that transferred animals be held for a specified number of hours at a licensed facility or a facility operated by a licensed veterinarian before their transfer.
**NH H 339**  
**Meat Inspection Services Administrator**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 130  
Date of Last Action: 06/06/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Harding (D)  
Topics: Food Safety | Livestock & Poultry | Veterinary Care  
Summary: Allows the State Veterinarian to employ a Meat Inspection Services Administrator, makes an appropriation.

**NH H 1172**  
**Nano Breweries Products and Farmers Markets Sales**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 2012-140  
Date of Last Action: 06/07/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Schlachman (D)  
Topics: Agricultural Products  
Summary: Authorizes nano brewery licensees to sell their products at farmers' markets.

**NH H 1402**  
**Sale of Homemade Food**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 2012-163  
Date of Last Action: 06/07/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Comtois (R)  
Topics: Food Safety  
Summary: Exempts certain homestead food operations and homestead food products from licensure by the Department of Health and Human Services, allows for direct sales of raw milk products without a milk producer-distributor license for certain small scale dairy producer-distributors.

**NH HR 20**  
**Cultivation of Hemp**
Status: Adopted - Adopted  
Date of Last Action: 02/15/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Owen (D)  
Topics: Agricultural Products  
Summary: Urges the federal government to allow the cultivation of hemp for industrial purposes.

**New Jersey**
**NJ A 2023**  
**Prohibited Horse Slaughter for Horse Flesh Sale**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 2012-52  
Date of Last Action: 09/19/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Dancer (R)  
Topics: Livestock & Poultry  
Associated Bills: NJ S 1976 - Identical  
Summary: Prohibits slaughter of horses and sale of horse flesh for human consumption, provides that a person who transports a horse for slaughter for human consumption commits a disorderly persons offense, provides that liability shall not be imposed on a newspaper that inadvertently, unintentionally, or unknowingly accepts or publishes advertising, specifies the fine for each slaughtered or transported.
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<td>Provides economic development financing for transportation projects to facilitate delivery of New York farm products from farmers and associations of farmers to institutional food service purchasers such as restaurants, schools and other food service operations.</td>
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<td>NY S 627</td>
<td>Wholesale Regional Farmers Markets</td>
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<td>Klein (D)</td>
<td>Agricultural Products</td>
<td>2011 NY A 1025 - Same as</td>
<td>Provides loans, loan guarantees, interest subsidies and grants to entities that includes businesses, municipalities, industrial agency and local and regional economic development corporations, and agricultural cooperatives for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, expansion or rehab of wholesale regional farmers' markets or food hubs that facilitate the sale and promotion of farm products grown or produced in the state.</td>
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<td>NY A 9158</td>
<td>Licensing of Slaughtering Establishments</td>
<td>Enacted - Chapter No. 25</td>
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<td>Clark (D)</td>
<td>Livestock &amp; Poultry</td>
<td>2011 NY S 6383 - Same as</td>
<td>Relates to licensing of establishments where animals or fowls are slaughtered, provides for the repeal of such provisions on August 5, 2016.</td>
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<td>Nonnative Animal and Plant Species</td>
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<td>07/24/2012 - Enacted*</td>
<td>Sweeney (D)</td>
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<td>2011 NY S 6826 - Same as</td>
<td>Requires the Department of Environmental Conservation to take action with respect to nonnative animal and plant species, provides for the promulgation of regulations to develop a permit for the prohibited species disposal, control, research and education and a system for regulating the sale, purchase, possession, introduction, importation and transport of invasive species, provides that the system regulations shall include a list of prohibited species and a list of regulated species.</td>
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North Carolina
NC H 622  Food Service Inspections in Nursing Homes
Status:  Enacted - Session Law Number 2011-226
Date of Last Action:  06/23/2011 - Enacted*
Author:  McCormick (R)  Additional Authors: Glazier (D); Cleveland (R); Stevens S (R); Lucas (D); Mobley (D); Faircloth (R); Jordan (R)
Topics:  Food Safety
Summary:
Relates to the frequency of food service inspections in nursing homes and nursing home beds licensed under chapter 131e of the general statutes that are also certified by Medicare and Medicaid, provides that the frequency of food service inspection in nursing homes or nursing home beds that are also certified by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid services shall be reduced to a minimum of 1 inspection per year if the facility receives an A sanitation score.

Ohio
OH H 22  Owner Liability of Animals At Large
Status:  Enacted - Session Law No. 26
Date of Last Action:  06/21/2011 - Enacted*
Author:  Bubp (R)
Topics:  Agricultural Products | Livestock & Poultry
Summary:
Regards the liability of owners of certain animals that are running at large for damages resulting from injury, death or loss to person or property, includes livestock, bison, llamas and alpacas.

OH H 229  Agriculture Law Revision
Status:  Enacted - Session Law No. 42
Date of Last Action:  07/15/2011 - Enacted*
Author:  Buchy (R)
Topics:  Livestock & Poultry | Livestock & Poultry - Health
Summary:
Revises agricultural laws, relates to livestock environmental permitting, permitting requirements for a concentrated animal feeding facility, the animal and consumer protection laboratory fund, fees, promotion of the grape industry, offenses relating to motor vehicles, disposal by alkaline hydrolysis of an animal that has died of a contagious disease, licensing as livestock dealer and financial responsibility, prohibited treatment of horses, exempts amusement rides from certain operational requirements.

OH H 276  Definition of Agriculture
Status:  Enacted - Session Law No. 82
Date of Last Action:  03/02/2012 - Enacted*
Author:  Buchy (R)
Topics:  Agricultural Products
Summary:
Includes the production from certain feedstocks of biodiesel, biomass energy, electric or heat energy, and biologically derived methane gas in the definition of agriculture for purposes of the laws governing county zoning, township zoning, and current agricultural use valuation, provides for the establishment of best management practices for that production, establishes a Legislative Task Force to study anaerobic digesters for agricultural use and application in the state.
**Oklahoma**

**OK S 92**  
**Poultry Waste Applicators**

Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 55  
Date of Last Action: 04/13/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Justice (R)  
Topics: Agricultural Chemicals & Fertilizers | Livestock & Poultry  
Summary: Relates to poultry waste applicators, relates to the Oklahoma Registered Poultry Feeding Operations Act, requires poultry waste applicators to attend educational courses and training on poultry waste management.

**OK S 420**  
**Livestock Importing and Exporting**

Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 253  
Date of Last Action: 05/17/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Fields (R)  
Topics: Agricultural Products | Agricultural Trade | Livestock & Poultry  
Summary: Declares the intent of the Oklahoma Legislature that an airport in the State shall apply and receive approval from the United States Department of Agriculture and the United States Customs and Border Patrol to provide international and domestic livestock and livestock products import and export functions.

**OK H 1310**  
**Professions And Occupations**

Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 83  
Date of Last Action: 04/20/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Richardson (R)  
Topics: Veterinary Care  
Summary: Relates to the Oklahoma Veterinary Practice Act, modifies procedures that are not prohibited including transrectal palpation, describes certification process for nonveterinary reproductive services technicians, requires documentation for use of legend drugs in procedures, prescribes continuing education requirements, provides for committee to oversee examination and continuing education, provides for committee to oversee advancements in animal husbandry.

**OK H 1327**  
**Agriculture**

Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 84  
Date of Last Action: 04/20/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Pruett (D)  
Topics: Invasive Species  
Summary: Relates to the Oklahoma Forestry Code, Provides that the Forestry Division to plan and conduct prescribed burning at the request and expense of landowners on public or private lands for the purpose of controlling Eastern Red Cedar and other invasive species, for hazardous fuel reduction, wildlife habitat manipulation, ecosystem restoration, or achieving silvicultural objectives, provides that Forestry Division employees shall be protected under The Governmental Tort Claims Act.

**OK H 1473**  
**Farmed Cervidae**

Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 298
Date of Last Action: 05/24/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Armes (R)
Topics: Animal I.D. | Livestock & Poultry
Summary: Amends the Oklahoma Farmed Cervidae Act, modifies license renewal application submittal requirements, repeals a provision requiring an owner to provide farmed cervidae reasonable protection from predators, repeals a provision limiting exports of cervidae originating from counties where Chronic Wasting Disease exists to cervidae kept in a double-fenced facility.

Oregon
OR H 4003 State Department of Agriculture
Status: Enacted - Chaptered. Chapter No. 64
Date of Last Action: 03/27/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Agriculture and Natural Resources Cmt
Topics: Food Safety
Summary: Allows State Department of Agriculture to adopt rules to establish license fees for certain food-related establishments and occupations that includes the offering to sell or exposing for sale meat products, a food establishment that is part of a domestic kitchen, retail food store, or warehouse, animal food slaughtering establishments, producing or distributing fluid milk, bakery or bakery distributors, refrigerated lock plant licenses, egg handler's licenses, and nonalcoholic beverage manufacturers.

OR H 4068 Food Bank Assumption
Status: Enacted - Chaptered. Chapter No. 5
Date of Last Action: 02/27/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Boone (D)
Topics: Food Safety
Summary: Provides that food bank assumption or sharing of cost to process reclaimed fish for food bank use or distribution is not sale, purchase or other commerce making fish subject to labeling, packaging or similar requirements for commercially sold foods, allows State Department of Agriculture to conditionally waive labeling requirements for reclaimed fish that food bank uses or distributes, provides that the retention of such fish by a food establishment is not a sale, dispense, or giving of food.

Pennsylvania
PA H 1424 Preferred Trademark Licensing Fund
Status: Enacted - Chapter
Date of Last Action: 10/05/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Bloom (R) Additional Authors: Toohil (R); Metzgar (R); Grove (R); Gabler (R); Delozier (R); Vulakovich (R); Vereb (R); Swanger (R); Rock (R); Perry (R); Peifer (R); Murt (R); Marshall (R); Helm (R); Gibbons (D); Fleck (R); Oberlander (R); Reese (R); Tobash (R); Simmons (R); Culver (R); Saccone (R); Masser (R); Lawrence (R); Kampf (R); Heffley (R); Hackett (R); Gillen (R); Aument (R); Hahn (R); Toepel (R); Knowles (R); Tallman (R); Everett (R); Cutler (R); Brooks (R); Miller R (R); Stern (R);aylor (R); Santoni (D); Benninghoff (R); Ross (R); Maher (R); Petrarcha (D); Harhai (D); Major (R); Josephs (D); Hutchinson (R); Hennessey (R); Schroeder (R); Geist (R); Pickett (R); Stevenson R (R); Boback (R); Bear (R); Pyle (R); Kauffman (R); Grell
Amends the Agriculture Code, provides for the establishment, registration and licensing and use of a Pennsylvania Preferred(R) trademark, establishes the terms and conditions under which a person may be licensed to use the trademark, allows licensees to be charged for costs incurred by the Department of Agriculture for marketing, establishes the Pennsylvania Preferred(R) Trademark Licensing Fund, provides for penalties and for enforcement.

Rhode Island

RI S 850  Seafood Marketing
Status: Adopted - Resolution No. 2011-244
Date of Last Action: 05/04/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Sosnowski (D)
Topics: Agricultural Trade
Summary: (Resolution) Urges Congress to support the marketing of Rhode Island seafood.

RI S 958  Fish and Wildlife
Status: Enacted - Public Law No. 2011-182
Date of Last Action: 06/30/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Fogarty (D)
Topics: Invasive Species
Summary: Requires the department of environmental management to prepare and submit a report to the governor and the general assembly which would provide an assessment of the condition of lakes and ponds, including the extent of invasive species, recommendations for improving management, and an assessment of the feasibility of establishing a boat sticker program to fund actions to control invasive species. Provides for a fine or imprisonment for releasing non-native species into lakes, ponds, rivers, or wetlands.

RI S 2127  Health and Safety
Status: Enacted - Public Law No. 2012-408
Date of Last Action: 06/22/2012 - Enacted*
Author: DiPalma (D)
Topics: Food Safety
Summary: Establishes a food allergy awareness program through the department of health which would require compliance by food-service establishments.

RI S 2191  Animals and Animal Husbandry
Status: Enacted - Public Law No. 2012-275
Date of Last Action: 06/19/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Ruggerio (D)
Topics: Livestock & Poultry
Summary:
Prohibits the unlawful confinement of calves raised for veal or sows during gestation, specifies exceptions and penalties, defines terms.

**RI S 2283**  
**Gross Receipts Exempt From Sales and Use Taxes**  
**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 2012-407  
**Date of Last Action:** 06/22/2012 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Pichardo (D)  
**Topics:** Livestock & Poultry  
**Summary:** Exempts animal feed used for animals in the production of food for human consumption, from the sales and use tax, relates to gross receipts exempt from sales and use taxes.

**RI S 2611**  
**Agriculture and Forestry**  
**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 2012-38  
**Date of Last Action:** 04/26/2012 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Sosnowski (D)  
**Topics:** Agricultural Products  
**Summary:** Directs the Department of Environmental Management to establish the local agriculture and seafood small grants and technical assistance program to promote the sale of Rhode Island seafood and farm products, creates the interagency food and nutrition policy advisory council.

**RI S 2618**  
**Animals and Animal Husbandry**  
**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 2012-368  
**Date of Last Action:** 06/21/2012 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Sosnowski (D)  
**Topics:** Livestock & Poultry | Livestock & Poultry - Health  
**Summary:** Creates the Rhode Island Livestock Welfare and Care Standards Advisory Council Act of 2012 to serve as an advisory body to the director of Department of Environmental Management and general assembly in making recommendations related to the overall health and welfare of livestock species, provides for the appointment of members, terms, vacancies, meetings, and compensation, specifies the duties of the council.

**RI H 6217**  
**Fish and Wildlife**  
**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 2011-166  
**Date of Last Action:** 06/30/2011 - Enacted*  
**Author:** Keable (D)  
**Topics:** Invasive Species  
**Summary:** Requires the Department of Environmental Management to prepare and submit a report to the governor and the general assembly which would provide an assessment of the condition of lakes and ponds, including the extent of invasive species, recommendations for improving the management of invasive species and an assessment of the feasibility of establishing a boat sticker program to fund actions to control invasive species in lakes, ponds, rivers and wetlands.

**RI H 7157**  
**Gross Receipts Exempt From Sales and Use Taxes**  
**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 2012-418
**Date of Last Action:** 06/22/2012 - Enacted*
**Author:** Walsh (D)
**Topics:** Livestock & Poultry
**Summary:**
Exempts animal feed, used for certain animals in the production of food for human consumption, from the sales and use tax.

**RI H 7180**
**Animals and Animal Husbandry**
**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 2012-285
**Date of Last Action:** 06/19/2012 - Enacted*
**Author:** Serpa (D)
**Topics:** Livestock & Poultry
**Summary:**
Prohibits the unlawful confinement of calves raised for veal or sows during gestation, takes effect one year after passage, provides exemptions.

**RI H 7595**
**Health and Safety**
**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 2012-414
**Date of Last Action:** 06/22/2012 - Enacted*
**Author:** Jackson (D)
**Topics:** Food Safety
**Summary:**
Establishes a food allergy awareness program through the Department of Health which would require compliance by food-service establishments.

**RI H 7701**
**Agriculture and Forestry**
**Status:** Enacted - Public Law No. 2012-37
**Date of Last Action:** 04/26/2012 - Enacted*
**Author:** Ruggiero (D)
**Topics:** Agricultural Products
**Summary:**
Directs the Department of Environmental Management to establish the local agriculture and seafood small grants and technical assistance program to promote the sale of Rhode Island seafood and farm products, creates the interagency food and nutrition policy advisory council.

**South Carolina**
**SC S 220**
**Food Resale Prohibition**
**Status:** Enacted - Act No. 173
**Date of Last Action:** 05/25/2012 - Enacted*
**Author:** Jackson (D)
**Topics:** Food Safety
**Summary:**
Provides that food that has been sold or served to and possessed by a consumer that is returned by the consumer is considered adulterated and may not be offered for resale as food for human consumption, provides that containers of food that do not require time and temperature controls and that are not considered potentially hazardous may be re-served or sold if the food is in an unopened original package and is maintained in sound condition.
SC H 3630  State Grown Wine Fruit  
Status: Enacted - Act No. 121  
Date of Last Action: 02/22/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Bedingfield (R)  
Topics: Agricultural Products  
Summary:  
Relates to the sale of wine by a licensed winery located in the state, eliminates the requirement that a majority of the juice used in the wine be derived from fruit or berries grown in this state.

SC H 4005  Honey Labeling Requirements  
Status: Enacted - Act No. 118  
Date of Last Action: 02/01/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Corbin (R)  
Topics: Agricultural Products | Food Safety  
Summary:  
Relates to terms and their definitions regarding adulterated or misbranded food and cosmetics, provides a definition for the term honey, and the labeling requirements for honey.

SC H 4689  Home-based Food Production  
Status: Enacted - Act No. 190  
Date of Last Action: 06/07/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Hiott (R)  
Topics: Food Safety  
Summary:  
Provides health and sanitary requirements for home-based food production operations, including procedures for protecting food items prepared for sale by these operations, and food item packaging and labeling requirements, provides that these operations may not sell food items at wholesale, provides that these operations are not retail food establishments, provides a process whereby the Department of Health and Environmental Control may investigate complaints.

Tennessee  
TN S 1850  Food and Food Products  
Status: Enacted - Public Chaptered. Chapter No. 387  
Date of Last Action: 06/01/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Crowe (R)  
Topics: Agricultural Products | Food Safety  
Associated Bills: TN H 1699 - Same as  
Summary:  
Relates to Food and Food Products, authorizes Commissioner of Agriculture to inspect home-based kitchens that prepare foods for retail sale at farmers’ markets that are potentially low-risk for contamination, provides that when the commissioner finds after investigation, that the distribution in the state of such foods may, by reason of contamination with microorganisms during manufacture, processing or packing, be injurious to health, that the commissioner may prohibit the sale of such foods.

TN H 3263  Agricultural Commodities Promotion  
Status: Enacted - Public Chaptered. Chapter No. 1049  
Date of Last Action: 05/21/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Halford (R)
Topics: Agricultural Products
Associated Bills: TN S 3027 - Same as
Summary:
Relates to the Department of Agriculture, provides that each purchaser shall submit to the department the total amount of funds withheld from producers by a specified date, provides that the assessment levied on each head of cattle sold shall not apply to cattle purchased by a purchaser whose only share in the proceeds of a sale is a sales commission, handling fee or other service fee, provides that cattle must be resold by a specified date, provides for the Beef Promotion Board.

TN S 3547 Food and Food Products
Status: Enacted - Public Chaptered. Chapter No. 1105
Date of Last Action: 05/21/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Crowe (R)
Topics: Food Safety
Associated Bills: TN H 3302 - Same as
Summary:
Relates to food and food products, authorizes the sale of non-potentially hazardous food and food products produced in a home kitchen if vendor has a sign stating that the food products were made in a private home not licensed or inspected, specifies where the products may be sold, requires labeling of each product, including the name and address of the preparer, the ingredients, and that the product was made in a private home not licensed or inspected, requires the list of ingredients to use common names.

Utah
UT S 61 Areas Affected by Invasive Species
Status: Enacted - Chaptered. Chapter No. 124
Date of Last Action: 03/16/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Okerlund (R)
Topics: Invasive Species
Summary:
Amends provisions regarding Department - State Chemist - Enforcement, by permitting rehabilitation projects in areas that have been affected by invasive species and appropriates money for that purpose, amends definitions, authorizes the Department of Agriculture to spend money in the Invasive Species Mitigation Account on a project implemented by a political subdivision, permits the department to consider a project designed to prevent encroachment of an invasive species when awarding grants.

UT H 187 Agricultural Operation Interference
Status: Enacted - Chaptered. Chapter No. 213
Date of Last Action: 03/20/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Mathis (R)
Topics: Miscellaneous
Summary:
Establishes the crime of agricultural operation interference, defines agricultural operation, provides that a person is guilty of such crime if the person records an image of, or sound from, such an operation under certain circumstances, obtains access to such operation under false pretenses, or obtain employment at such operation under certain circumstances with the intent to record an image of, or sound from such operations, provides misdemeanor penalties.
**UT H 198**  
**Certain Food Grown By an Individual for Use**

Status: Enacted - Chaptered. Chapter No. 401  
Date of Last Action: 03/26/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Herrod (R)  
Topics: Food Safety  
Summary: 
Prohibits local or federal regulation of certain food that is grown by an individual for consumption by the individual or the individual’s family unless the food possesses a risk to health, the spreading of insect infestation, or the spreading of agricultural disease, or the food is unlawfully possessed.

**Vermont**

**VT H 52**  
**Quail and Partridge Slaughter Inspections**

Status: Enacted - Act No. 13  
Date of Last Action: 04/28/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Partridge (D)  
Topics: Food Safety  
Summary: 
Proposes to amend the definition of poultry product so that the slaughter of quail, pheasant, and partridge would not be subject to state slaughter inspection to coincide with federal slaughter regulations for non amenable species.

**VT S 99**  
**Mobile Homes**

Status: Enacted - Act No. 2012-137  
Date of Last Action: 05/14/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Agriculture Cmt  
Topics: Rural Economic Development  
Summary: 
Relates to mobile home park discrimination, notification of mobile home park sale, illegal evictions, notice of lot rent increases, registration of mobile home parks, intent to increase the affordable housing tax credit, sale of abandoned mobile homes, disaster relief, unfair housing practices, administration of rental housing subsidies, municipal action for sale of abandoned mobile homes, abandoned property, mobile home development and intent to create a sales and use tax holiday for mobile homes.

**Virginia**

**VA H 855**  
**Nuisance Species**

Status: Enacted - Acts of Assembly. Chapter No. 603  
Date of Last Action: 04/04/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Yost (R)  
Topics: Invasive Species  
Summary: 
Relates to the inclusion of game animals and fur-bearing animals in the definition of nuisance species, relates to coyotes and feral swine.

**Washington**

**WA H 1169**  
**Noxious Weed Lists**

Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 126  
Date of Last Action: 04/20/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Haigh (D)
Topics: Invasive Species
Associated Bills: WA S 5087 - Companion
Summary:
Requires the State Noxious Weed Control Board to adopt guidelines, for placing plants on the state noxious weed list, allows a county noxious weed control board, or other branch of county or city government, to conduct education, outreach, and other assistance regarding plant species not included on the state’s list if the county or city determines that the plant species causes localized risk or concern.

WA H 1371  Boards and Commissions
Status: Enacted - 1st Special Session Chapter No. 21
Date of Last Action: 06/07/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Darneille (D)
Topics: Animal I.D.
Associated Bills: WA S 5469 - Companion
Summary:
Relates to boards and commissions, relates to the Eastern and Western State Hospital Boards, the Home Care Quality Authority, long-term in-home care services, certain Medicaid providers and criminal background checks, the Horse Racing Commission, the State Advisory Board of Plumbers, the Commission on Pesticide Registration, correctional industries, the Escrow Commission, advisory groups of the superintendent of public instruction, board member compensation, and a prohibition against certain contracts.

WA H 1413  Invasive Species Council
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 154
Date of Last Action: 04/22/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Blake (D)
Topics: Invasive Species
Associated Bills: WA S 5090 - Companion
Summary:
Extends the expiration date of the invasive species council and the invasive species council account from December 31, 2011, to June 30, 2017.

WA H 1489  Fertilizer and Phosphorus
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 73
Date of Last Action: 04/14/2011 - Line Item Vetoed*
Author: Billig (D)
Topics: Agricultural Chemicals & Fertilizers
Summary:
Limits the sale, display, and application of turf fertilizer labeled as containing phosphorus.

WA H 1538  Animal Health Inspections
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 204
Date of Last Action: 04/29/2011 - Line Item Vetoed*
Author: Buys (R)
Topics: Livestock & Poultry | Livestock & Poultry - Health | Livestock & Poultry - Horses
Associated Bills: WA S 5235 - Companion
Summary:
Regards animal health inspections, creates a per head of cattle livestock identification fee, creates the Animal Disease Traceability Advisory Committee, creates a new civil infraction for failure to pay the fee, creates an account within the Agriculture Local Fund, makes it unlawful to transport animal, unless exempted, to a destination other than the address listed on an accompanying transportation document.

**WA H 2456  Agriculture and Livestock Information Disclosure**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 168
Date of Last Action: 03/29/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Chandler (R)
Topics: Animal I.D. | Livestock & Poultry
Associated Bills: WA S 6087 - Companion
Summary: Exempts from disclosure under the Public Records Act information submitted to the State Department of Agriculture for herd inventory management for animal disease traceability, exempts information that identifies a particular animal, business, or individual, exempts the disclosure of prohibited agricultural products for importation into the state, eliminates references to the national animal identification system, relates to phytosanitary certificates.

**WA S 5036  Derelict Vessel and Invasive Species Removal Fee**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 169
Date of Last Action: 04/27/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Regala (D)
Topics: Invasive Species
Associated Bills: WA H 1395 - Companion
Summary: Relates to the derelict vessel and invasive species removal fee, repeals a scheduled reduction of the fee, expands the purposes of the freshwater aquatic algae control account to provide for management of saltwater nuisances.

**WA S 5436  Copper in Antifouling Paints**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 248
Date of Last Action: 05/03/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Ranker (D)
Topics: Invasive Species
Summary: Prohibits a manufacturer, wholesaler, retailer, or distributor from selling or offering for sale any new recreational water vessel with antifouling paint containing copper, prohibits antifouling paint containing more than 0.5% copper from being offered for sale in the state, requires the Department of Ecology to survey the manufacturers of boat paint sold or offered for sale to determine the types of such paints that are available and to increase education regarding hull cleaning to reduce invasive species.

**WA S 5487  Commercial Egg Laying Chicken Operations**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 306
Date of Last Action: 05/10/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Schoesler (R)
Topics: Livestock & Poultry
Associated Bills: WA H 1813 - Companion
Summary:
Provides that entities providing eggs or egg products for intrastate commerce that apply for either an egg handler or egg dealer license prior to a specified date, must include proof that their eggs are produced by egg layer operations that meet specified animal husbandry guidelines, provides new facilities must also show it was built under or convertible to specified hen spacing standards, provides these requirements apply to operations that have more than a specified number of laying chickens.

**WA S 5741 Economic Development Commission**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 311
Date of Last Action: 05/10/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Kastama (D)
Topics: Agricultural Trade
Associated Bills: WA H 1884 - Companion
Summary:
Revises the provisions of existing law relating to the State Economic Development Commission, provides for an increase in the commission membership, requires the commission to submit its statewide economic development strategy by January 31 of every odd-number year, creates a commission account in the state treasury with the moneys to be spent only to carrying out the commission's mission.

**WA S 5747 Horse Racing Funds**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 12
Date of Last Action: 04/05/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Hewitt (R)
Topics: Livestock & Poultry - Horses
Summary:
Concerns Washington horse racing funds, provides that licensees of race meets that are nonprofit in nature and are of ten days or less and are exempt from payment of a parimutuel tax, provides that all other licensees must withhold and pay to the commission daily for each authorized day of parimutuel wagering the applicable percentage of all daily gross receipts from its in-state parimutuel machines.

**WA S 5748 Cottage Food Operations**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 281
Date of Last Action: 05/05/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Rockefeller (D)
Topics: Food Safety
Summary:
Regards cottage food operations, provides that cottage foods may be sold only directly to the consumer and may not be sold through the Internet, mail order, or for retail sale outside the state, provides a maximum yearly sales limit, requires a permit and the inspection of the kitchen areas of the home where the food is prepared or stored, provides labeling requirements, requires rules regarding the permit process, sanitary procedures, facilities, equipment and utensils, food labeling, and hygiene.

**West Virginia**

**WV S 75 Equine Rescue Facilities Act**
Status: Enacted - Act No. 75
Date of Last Action: 04/02/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Unger (D)
Topics: Livestock & Poultry
Summary:
Creates Equine Rescue Facilities Act, relates to a facility that is listed as a nonprofit organization that fosters care to unwanted equines due to age, health or other circumstances that deem the equines homeless, provides for inspections, licensing, standards for closure of an equine rescue facility and seizure of the horses, and misdemeanor penalties for violations.

**Wisconsin**

**WI A 2 Enterprise Zones**
Status: Enacted - Act No. 2011-26  
Date of Last Action: 06/10/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Rivard (R)  
Topics: Rural Economic Development  
Summary: Authorizes the designation of additional enterprise zones, requires the designation of enterprise zones in rural areas.

**WI A 377 Rough Fish**
Status: Enacted - Act No. 2012-180  
Date of Last Action: 04/02/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Craig (R)  
Topics: Invasive Species  
Summary: Relates to the definition of rough fish and taking rough fish with a crossbow, adds Asian carp to the definition of rough fish.

**WI S 496 Brucellosis Testing**
Status: Enacted - Act No. 2012-281  
Date of Last Action: 04/12/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Schultz (R)  
Topics: Agricultural Products | Food Safety | Livestock & Poultry | Livestock & Poultry - Health  
Summary: Relates to brucellosis testing of milk, cream, and cattle, provides restrictions on moving or sale of American bison and other animal species.

**WI S 517 Plant Licensing**
Status: Enacted - Act No. 2012-195  
Date of Last Action: 04/02/2012 - Enacted*  
Author: Lasee F (R)  
Topics: Food Safety  
Summary: Relates to licenses of food processing plants that make food products using milk or milk products manufactured at a dairy plant from pasteurized ingredients or are produced under other processes to eliminate or reduce food safety hazards, includes aseptically processed foods, high acid foods, heat treated foods, aged foods, cold pack foods, and similarly processed foods.

**WI SJR 11 World Veterinary Year**
Status: Adopted - Adopted  
Date of Last Action: 05/11/2011 - Enacted*  
Author: Harsdorf (R)
Topics: Veterinary Care
Summary: Relates to recognizing 2011 as World Veterinary Year.

**Wyoming**

**WY S 71**  **Aquatic Invasive Species**
Status: Enacted - Chapter No. 64
Date of Last Action: 03/09/2012 - Enacted*
Author: Christensen (R)
Topics: Invasive Species
Summary: Relates to aquatic invasive species, provides that every conveyance entering the state by land shall be inspected by an authorized aquatic invasive species inspector prior to contacting or entering the waters of the state, provides for the promulgation of rules establishing the dates when the inspections are required and qualifications authorized inspectors, authorizes such inspections at ports of entry, and facilities located near the borders of the state.

**Puerto Rico**

**PR S 1237**  **Ultra Pasteurized Milk Distribution**
Status: Enacted - Law Number 221-2011
Date of Last Action: 11/18/2011 - Enacted*
Author: Berdiel Rivera (PNP)
Topics: Food Safety | Livestock & Poultry
Summary: Orders the Office for the Dairy Industry Regulation in Puerto Rico to ban the marketing, distribution and sale of Ultra Pasteurized milk and Aseptic, provided that said milk arrives at a distribution depot within thirty days or more of having been manufactured, prohibits the sale of all types of milk for human consumption from farms where they have used the stimulant hormone, known as bovine somatotropin or rBST.

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