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Final Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Sen. Sonnenberg Rep. Pelton; Valdez D.	Bill Status:	Signed into Law
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Bill Topic: **DEREGULATE MEAT SALES DIRECT TO CONSUMERS**

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

This bill allows a person to sell, without licensure, certain animals or animal shares to informed end consumers without regulation or inspection by a public health agency. It will minimally increase workload in FY 2021-22 only.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary of Legislation

This bill allows a person to sell, without licensure, meat, animals, or shares of cattle, calves, sheep, elk, bison, goats, hogs, and rabbits to an informed end consumer for future delivery without regulation or inspection by a public health agency if the following conditions are met:

- the seller conspicuously displays a disclaimer regarding the animal's exemption from state regulation and inspection;
- the purchaser signs the disclaimer before the sale; and
- the meat, animal or animal share is sold in Colorado and delivered directly to the end consumer.

Livestock are still subject to brand inspection by the Colorado Department of Agriculture (CDA), but only one inspection, immediately before slaughter, is authorized. The State Board of Stock Inspection Commissioners is required to promulgate rules to implement this process.

Resale of an animal or animal share by the consumer is prohibited by the bill and the seller is not liable in a civil action for damages caused by inadequate cooking or improper preparation for consumption.

State Expenditures

The CDA will have a minimal one-time increase in workload for the State Board of Stock Inspection Commissioners to promulgate the brand inspection rules. This increase can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect April 29, 2021.

State and Local Government Contacts

Agriculture

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