

HB 25-1064: PROHIBITION ON CULTIVATED MEAT

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Summary Information

Overview. The bill prohibits the sale, manufacturing, or distribution of cultivated meat for human consumption.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

Minimal State Workload

Local Government

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

	Budget Year	Out Year
Type of Impact	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

The bill prohibits any individual from selling, offering for sale, manufacturing, or distributing cultivated meat in Colorado. Cultivated meat is defined in the bill as a food product produced from animal cells grown in a laboratory setting in a controlled environment. The Commissioner of Agriculture may create rules to administer the bill's requirements.

Additionally, the bill permits the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE), or a county or district public health agency, to suspend or revoke a retail establishment's license if found to be in violation of the prohibition.

State and Local Government Expenditures

The Department of Agriculture and Department of Law will incur a temporary increase in workload to adopt rules. This can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

The CDPHE and local public health agencies may see increased workload beginning in FY 2025-26 to revoke a license or certificate if a business is found to be in violation of the prohibition. There are currently no known businesses in Colorado producing cultivated meat for commercial sale for human consumption, so any increase in workload is expected to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Agriculture Public Health and Environment
Law Regulatory Agencies