

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 1486

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8 An Act relating to country-of-origin labels for meat
9 products; creating a task force to study and create
10 recommendations based on country-of-origin label
11 requirements for meat products; providing expiration
12 date; setting duties; providing for membership;
13 providing for naming of co-chairs; providing for
14 quorum; providing that members receive no
15 compensation; providing for travel reimbursement if
16 funds are available; requiring minimum number of
17 meetings; providing for staff support; requiring
18 certain report; providing for codification; and
19 providing an effective date.

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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

23 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
24 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1150 of Title 63, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created, to continue until December 31,
2019, the "Country-of-Origin Labels for Meat Products Task Force".

B. The Task Force shall serve in an advisory capacity to the
Legislature to study and develop legislative recommendations to
address the use of country-of-origin labels for meat products in the

1 State of Oklahoma. The Task Force shall study, review and make
2 recommendations on the following:

3 1. The public's interests and demands for knowledge and choice
4 regarding the origins of meat products;

5 2. The costs and benefits with requiring country-of-origin
6 labels on meat products; and

7 3. The results and effects of previous or current state and
8 local requirements for country-of-origin labels for meat products.

9 C. The Task Force shall consist of seven (7) members:

10 1. One member to be appointed by the Governor from a statewide
11 membership organization representing the cattle industry;

12 2. One member to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of
13 the Senate from a statewide membership organization representing the
14 pork industry;

15 3. One member to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of
16 Representatives from a statewide membership organization
17 representing farmers and ranchers;

18 4. One member to be appointed by the Governor from an
19 organization representing the food service industry;

20 5. One member to be appointed by the Governor from a statewide
21 membership organization representing food service employees;

22 6. One member of the Senate, appointed by the President Pro
23 Tempore of the Senate; and
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1 7. One member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the
2 Speaker of the House of Representatives.

3 D. The member of the House of Representatives and the member of
4 the Senate shall serve as co-chairs of the Task Force. Appointments
5 to the Task Force shall be made within thirty (30) days after the
6 effective date of this act. Meetings of the Task Force shall be
7 held at the call of either co-chair of the Task Force. Members
8 shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authorities. A
9 majority of the members of the Task Force shall constitute a quorum
10 to transact business, but no vacancy shall impair the right of the
11 remaining members to exercise all of the powers of the Task Force.
12 The Task Force shall meet a minimum of four (4) times during the
13 first twelve (12) months after the effective date of this act. A
14 vacancy on the Task Force shall be filled by the original appointing
15 authority. Staff support for the Task Force shall be provided by
16 the staff of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

17 E. Members of the Task Force shall receive no compensation for
18 serving on the Task Force, but may receive travel reimbursement by
19 the appointing authority in accordance with the provisions of the
20 State Travel Reimbursement Act, contingent on the availability of
21 public or private funds for this purpose. Legislative members may
22 be reimbursed pursuant to Section 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma
23 Statutes.

1 F. The Task Force shall submit a final report by November 30,
2 2019, to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and
3 the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.

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