SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1411

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE HOUGHTON.

D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 265, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the slaughter of captive cervids.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 265, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be 2 known as section 265.475, to read as follows:

265.475. 1. Any commercial slaughter plant or meat processor that has been inspected by the department of agriculture under chapter 265 or the United States Department of Agriculture under 9 CFR 352 may slaughter and process captive cervids for human consumption if the captive cervids are from a herd that participates in a United States Department of Agriculture herd certification program.

6 2. The sale of captive cervid meat slaughtered and processed at a facility in 7 compliance with the provisions of subsection 1 of this section shall not be prohibited or 8 restricted.

9 3. Any licensed hunting preserve or licensed deer breeder shall be allowed to 10 slaughter and process any captive cervids owned by such preserve or breeder at a facility 11 in compliance with the provisions of subsection 1 of this section at any time of year. The 12 department of agriculture may establish rules and regulations relating to the slaughter and 13 processing of captive cervids under this section.

4. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers

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- 18 vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective
- 19 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the
- 20 grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2016,
- 21 shall be invalid and void.

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