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To: Natural Resources Subcommittee

From: Krista Dauenhauer, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: June 11, 2019

Subject: SB 1019 – Relating to the egg industry
Work Session Recommendations

The legislation would prohibit a person from buying, selling, offer to buy or sell, transporting or offer to transport in intrastate commerce, or accept receipt of, an egg or egg product that was not produced under conditions meeting or exceeding the enclosure standards established by Department of Agriculture (ODA) rules. An exception is provided for the sale of eggs or egg products at a plant where mandatory inspection is maintained under the federal Egg Products Inspection Act. ODA must adopt rules, no later than January 1, 2023 to become effective January 1, 2024, related to hens housing systems and usable floor space. ODA must inspect commercial egg production facilities by qualified auditors at reasonable times. Permissive language regarding ODA's authority to assess a \$2,500 civil penalty for violations is changed to an affirmative shall.

Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the -A3 amendment which would exempt the inspection, by qualified auditors, of commercial farms with annual egg production of not more than 3,000 egg-laying hens; or eggs produced by a commercial farms with cage-free housing systems.

MOTION: I move adoption of the -A3 amendment to SB 1019. (VOTE)

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that SB 1019, as amended by the -A3 amendment, to be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move SB 1019, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

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