

House Bill 2164

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act gives money to an agency for an inspection program. The program relates to small-scale meat processing and sales. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.5).

Appropriates moneys to the State Department of Agriculture for purposes related to a program of state inspection for the processing and sale of meat products from nonamenable species.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to a program of state inspection by the State Department of Agriculture; and declaring an
3 emergency.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1. (1) There is appropriated to the State Department of Agriculture, for the**
6 **biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$____, for hiring**
7 **up to the equivalent of two full-time staff members for the program of state inspection au-**
8 **thorized by ORS 619.042.**

9 **(2) The department shall ensure that the staff members described in subsection (1) of**
10 **this section undertake activities in an equitable manner across this state, prioritizing:**

11 **(a) Slaughter-specific facilities.**

12 **(b) Facilities in rural and underserved communities.**

13 **(c) Facilities that receive funding under the Oregon Meat Processing Infrastructure and**
14 **Capacity Building Grant Program.**

15 **SECTION 2. This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
16 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect**
17 **on its passage.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.