

FISCAL ESTIMATE DOA-2048 N(R 10/98)	<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UPDATED	List both LRB No. and Bill/Adm. Rule No. ATCP 42, 55 & 57
	<input type="checkbox"/> CORRECTED	<input type="checkbox"/> SUPPLEMENTAL	Amendment No. (If Applicable)

Subject
Inedible Animal Products and Processing of Meat and Poultry

Fiscal Effect State: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriation <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriation <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriation	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to Absorb Within Agency's Budget <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
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Local : <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No local government costs 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	5. Types of Local Governmental Unit Affected: <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Villages <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others _____ <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (“DATCP”) administers Wisconsin food safety laws. Among other things, DATCP licenses and inspects meat establishments that produce meat for human consumption. DATCP also regulates rendering plants, animal food processors and other entities that process and handle *inedible* animal carcasses and carcass materials. This rule does all of the following:

- Repeals and recreates current DATCP rules related to rendering plants, animal food processors, grease processors, dead animal collectors and carcass dealers. These entities process and handle inedible animal carcasses and carcass materials, and produce products for *non-food* use. Regulation keeps inedible materials out of the human food chain and helps ensure safe animal feed. For the most part, this rule clarifies current rules without making major substantive changes.
- Incorporates current federal regulations that prohibit the feeding of protein from mammalian tissues to cattle or other ruminants. The prohibition is designed to prevent BSE (“mad cow disease”). DATCP is already enforcing the current federal prohibition.
- Amends current state meat inspection rules to incorporate recent changes in federal regulations (state rules must be at least “equal to” federal regulations). Consistent with federal regulations, this rule does all of the following:
 - Prohibits, with specific exceptions, the slaughter of “non-ambulatory disabled cattle” for human consumption (DATCP is already enforcing this federal prohibition).
 - Requires producers of “ready-to-eat” meat products to have written procedures for minimizing food safety risks related to *Listeria monocytogenes* (DATCP has already implemented this federal requirement).
 - Restricts the amount of water from post-evisceration processing that may be retained in raw meat and poultry.

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- Clarifies current rules related to meat brokers and meat distributors.

For the most part, this rule merely reorganizes and clarifies current rules. Entities are already required to comply with federal restrictions incorporated by reference in this rule. DATCP has already provided information and assistance to help them comply. This rule does not increase industry fees.

This rule will not affect state program revenues or have any significant effect on DATCP workload. This rule will have no fiscal or programmatic impact on local government.

Long - Range Fiscal Implications