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Executive Order No. 2023-39

WHEREAS, the undersigned has been notified of the passing of Sergeant Ricky Lydell Green, Jr. of the South Carolina Department of Corrections, who dutifully served as a law enforcement officer in this State and died in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Green dedicated his life to protecting and serving the people of the United States and the State of South Carolina, both in the South Carolina National Guard and as a decorated law enforcement officer with the South Carolina Department of Corrections, and his loss warrants the people of this State appropriately recognizing his distinguished service and honoring his supreme sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, Title 4, Section 7(m) of the United States Code, as amended, provides that “[i]n the event of . . . the death of a first responder working in any State, territory, or possession who dies while serving in the line of duty, the Governor of that State, territory, or possession may proclaim that the National flag shall be flown at half-staff”; and

WHEREAS, section 1-3-470 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, authorizes the undersigned, on the day of burial or other service for any law enforcement officer in this State who died in the line of duty, to order that all flags on state buildings be lowered to half-staff in tribute to the deceased law enforcement officer and to request that flags over the buildings of the political subdivisions of this State similarly be flown at half-staff for this purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina and pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of this State and of these United States and the powers conferred upon me therein, I hereby order that all flags on state buildings be lowered to half-staff from sunrise until sunset on Thursday, December 21, 2023, in tribute to Sergeant Green and in honor of his selfless service and supreme sacrifice in the line of duty. I request that all flags over the buildings of the political subdivisions of this State similarly be flown at half-staff for this purpose. This Order is effective immediately.

**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
THIS 20th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023.**

HENRY MCMASTER
Governor

Executive Order No. 2023-40

WHEREAS, the undersigned has been notified that a vacancy will exist in the office of Register of Mesne Conveyance of Aiken County due to the resignation of Judith V. Warner, effective December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, in the event of a vacancy in a county office, the undersigned is authorized to appoint a suitable person, who shall be an elector of the county, to serve in such office pursuant to sections 1-3-220(2) and 4-11-20(1) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended; and

WHEREAS, upon Judith V. Warner’s resignation, effective December 31, 2023, the title of the office of the Register of Mesne Conveyance of Aiken County will change to the Register of Deeds of Aiken County in accordance with Act No. 34 of 1997; and

WHEREAS, Julie P. Stutts, of North Augusta, South Carolina, is a fit and proper person to serve as Register of Deeds of Aiken County.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina and pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of this State and the powers conferred upon me therein, I hereby appoint Julie P. Stutts to serve as Register of Deeds of Aiken County, effective December 31, 2023, until a successor shall qualify as provided by law. This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 21st DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023.

HENRY MCMASTER
Governor

Executive Order No. 2024-01

WHEREAS, certain areas in the southeastern region of the United States, including the State of South Carolina, are currently experiencing or are anticipated to experience hazardous weather conditions in connection with a powerful storm and severe weather event; and

WHEREAS, according to the latest forecasts, the anticipated hazardous conditions associated with this severe weather event—including powerful thunderstorms, strong winds and wind gusts, localized flooding, and possible tornadoes—have the potential to cause significant damage to public and private property and to disrupt essential utility services and other critical systems throughout the State of South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the prompt restoration of utility services and the uninterrupted transportation of essential goods, equipment, and products to or from the impacted areas are critical to the safety and welfare of the people of the State of South Carolina and those in other States; and

WHEREAS, in light of the foregoing circumstances, the undersigned has determined that it is necessary and appropriate to take further proactive action to expedite ongoing preparations, facilitate the operation of critical utility and transportation services, and mitigate interruptions or delays associated with the same; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations limit, *inter alia*, the hours of service for operators of commercial vehicles, 49 C.F.R. §§ 390 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 390.23, the governor of a State may suspend federal hours of service regulations for commercial vehicles responding to an emergency if the governor determines that an emergency condition exists; and

WHEREAS, section 56-5-70(B) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, provides that “[w]hen an emergency is declared which triggers relief from regulations pursuant to 49 C.F.R. [§] 390.23 in North Carolina or Georgia, an emergency, as referenced in the regional emergency provision of 49 C.F.R. [§] 390.23(a)(1)(A), must be declared in this State by the Governor”; and

WHEREAS, on January 8, 2024, the Governor of North Carolina issued Executive Order No. 300, declaring that an emergency exists in the State of North Carolina and temporarily suspending certain motor vehicle and transportation regulations in connection with the aforementioned weather conditions; and

WHEREAS, for the aforementioned and other reasons, the undersigned has determined that it is necessary and appropriate to provide additional regulatory flexibility to assist proactively in facilitating and supporting the operation of critical utility and transportation services and mitigating or preventing interruptions and delays in transporting essential supplies, equipment, and persons to or from any impacted areas in the State of South Carolina or in neighboring States.

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NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina and pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of this State and of these United States and the powers conferred upon me therein, I hereby order and direct as follows:

Section 1. Transportation Waivers to Address Severe Weather Event

A. I hereby determine and declare that the existing and anticipated threats, circumstances, or conditions associated with the severe weather event described herein and the potential impacts related to the same constitute an emergency pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 390.23 for purposes of suspending certain rules and regulations, as set forth below, for commercial vehicles and operators of commercial vehicles in accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 390.23 and section 56-5-70 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

B. I hereby authorize and direct the South Carolina Department of Transportation (“DOT”) and the South Carolina Department of Public Safety (“DPS”), including the State Transport Police, as needed, to waive or suspend application and enforcement of the requisite state and federal rules and regulations pertaining to hours of service for operators of commercial vehicles operating in accordance with the provisions of any emergency declaration issued by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (“FMCSA”); responding or providing direct assistance, as defined by 49 C.F.R. § 390.5, to any emergency conditions in this State or any declared emergencies in the State of North Carolina or the State of Georgia or in other States in connection with the forecasted severe weather event or the anticipated impacts thereof; providing direct assistance to supplement state and local efforts and capabilities related to the same; or otherwise assisting with the existing or anticipated threats and circumstances associated therewith, to include commercial vehicles and operators of commercial vehicles transporting equipment, materials, or persons necessary for the restoration of utility services or debris removal and those transporting essential goods and products, such as food, water, medicine, medical supplies and equipment, fuels and petroleum products (to include fuel oil, diesel oil, gasoline, kerosene, propane, liquid petroleum, and other refined petroleum products and related equipment or assets), livestock, poultry, feed for livestock and poultry, and crops and other agricultural products ready to be harvested (to include timber and wood chips).

C. I hereby authorize DOT and DPS, as applicable, to apply for or request any additional federal regulatory relief, waivers, permits, or other appropriate flexibility deemed necessary, whether pertaining to the transportation of overweight loads on interstate highways or otherwise, on behalf of the State of South Carolina and to promptly implement the same without the need for further Orders.

D. This Section shall not be construed to require or allow an ill or fatigued driver to operate a commercial motor vehicle. In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 390.23, “a driver who informs the motor carrier that he or she needs immediate rest must be permitted at least ten (10) consecutive hours off duty before the driver is required to return to such terminal or location.” Likewise, this Section shall not be construed as an exemption from the applicable controlled substances and alcohol use and testing requirements in 49 C.F.R. § 382, the commercial driver’s license requirements in 49 C.F.R. § 383, or the financial responsibility requirements in 49 C.F.R. § 387, and it shall not be interpreted to relieve compliance with any other state or federal statute, rule, order, regulation, restriction, or other legal requirement not specifically waived, suspended, or addressed herein or addressed in any additional or supplemental guidance, rules, regulations, restrictions, or clarifications issued, provided, or promulgated by DOT or DPS.

E. Subject to any guidance, rules, regulations, restrictions, or clarification issued, provided, or promulgated, or which may be issued, provided, or promulgated, by DOT or DPS, as authorized herein or as otherwise provided by law, and notwithstanding the waiver or suspension of certain rules and regulations as set forth above, drivers in South Carolina are still subject to the following state requirements to ensure public safety:

1. Weight, height, length, and width for any such vehicle with a minimum of five (5) weight bearing axles on highways or roadways maintained by the State of South Carolina shall not exceed, for continuous travel on all non-interstates, United States, and South Carolina designated routes, maximum dimensions of twelve (12)

feet in width (except as provided in Paragraph 5 below), thirteen (13) feet six (6) inches in height, and ninety thousand (90,000) pounds in gross weight.

2. Posted bridges may not be crossed.

3. All vehicles shall be operated in a safe manner, shall not damage the highways nor unduly interfere with highway traffic, shall maintain the required limits of insurance, and shall be clearly identified as a utility vehicle or shall provide appropriate documentation indicating they are responding to the emergency.

4. Except as provided below, any vehicles that exceed the above dimensions, weights, or both, must obtain a permit with defined routes from DOT's Oversize/Overweight Permit ("OSOW") Office. To order a permit, please call (803) 737-6769 during normal business hours, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., or (803) 206-9566 after normal business hours.

5. In accordance with federal law, vehicles traveling on non-interstate routes within the National Network may not exceed a width of 102 inches or 8.6 feet without a special permit. A special permit for width on the National Network is available on DOT's OSOW website, and a list of routes on the National Network is set forth in Appendix A to 23 C.F.R. Part 658.

6. Transporters are responsible for ensuring they have oversize signs, markings, flags, and escorts as required by the South Carolina Code of Laws and OSOW guidelines relating to oversize/overweight loads operating on South Carolina roadways.

F. I hereby authorize DOT and DPS to issue, provide, or promulgate any necessary and appropriate additional or supplemental guidance, rules, regulations, or restrictions regarding the application, implementation, or enforcement of this Section, or to otherwise provide clarification regarding the same, without the need for further Orders.

Section 2. General Provisions

A. This Order is not intended to create, and does not create, any individual right, privilege, or benefit, whether substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the State of South Carolina, its agencies, departments, political subdivisions, or other entities, or any officers, employees, or agents thereof, or any other person.

B. If any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such holding shall not affect the constitutionality or validity of the remaining portions of this Order, as the undersigned would have issued this Order, and each and every section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, and word thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, sentences, clauses, phrases, or words hereof may be declared to be unconstitutional, invalid, or otherwise ineffective.

C. This Order shall be implemented consistent with and to the maximum extent provided by applicable law and shall be subject to the availability of appropriations. This Order shall not be interpreted, applied, implemented, or construed in a manner so as to impair, impede, or otherwise affect the authority granted by law to an executive agency or department, or the officials or head thereof, including the undersigned.

D. I hereby expressly authorize the Office of the Governor to provide or issue any necessary and appropriate additional or supplemental guidance, rules, regulations, or restrictions regarding the application of this Order or to otherwise provide clarification regarding the same, through appropriate means, without the need for further Orders.

E. This Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect for fourteen (14) days or until the declared emergency in the State of North Carolina or any declared emergency in the State of Georgia is terminated, whichever is less, in accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 390.23 and section 56-5-70 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, unless otherwise modified, amended, or rescinded by subsequent Order.

8 EXECUTIVE ORDERS

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
THIS 9th DAY OF JANUARY, 2024.

HENRY MCMASTER
Governor

Executive Order No. 2024-02

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2024, certain portions of South Carolina experienced severe weather, including significant rainfall, localized flooding, high winds, and two (2) confirmed tornados, as well as other hazardous conditions, as a result of a dangerous storm system that moved across the southeastern region of the United States; and

WHEREAS, due to the aforementioned hazardous weather conditions and resulting impacts, and in accordance with county government closures and the normal state procedure associated with the same, state government offices in one or more counties throughout the State were closed or operated on an abbreviated schedule to ensure the safety of state employees and the general public; and

WHEREAS, section 8-11-57 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, provides, in pertinent part, that “whenever the Governor declares a state of emergency or orders all or some state offices closed due to hazardous weather conditions he may authorize up to five days leave with pay for affected state employees who are absent from work due to the state of emergency or the hazardous weather conditions.”

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina and pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of this State and the powers conferred upon me therein, I hereby order and direct as follows:

Section 1. Authorization of Leave with Pay Due to Severe Weather

A. I hereby authorize leave with pay for affected state employees, as set forth below, who were absent from work due to the aforementioned hazardous weather conditions, and in accordance with the directive for state government offices to follow county government closures for hazardous weather conditions, in the following counties and on the following dates:

January 9, 2024:

Closed: Aiken County, Allendale County, Barnwell County, Berkeley County, Charleston County, Dorchester County, Georgetown County, Hampton County, Horry County, Orangeburg County, Saluda County, Williamsburg County

Abbreviated Schedule: Bamberg County (closed at 2:00 p.m.), Calhoun County (closed at 12:00 p.m.), Chesterfield County (closed at 1:00 p.m.), Clarendon County (closed at 12:00 p.m.), Colleton County (closed at 12:00 p.m.), Darlington County (closed at 12:00 p.m.), Dillon County (closed at 12:00 p.m.), Fairfield County (closed at 12:00 p.m.), Florence County (closed at 12:00 p.m.), Kershaw County (closed at 12:00 p.m.), Lee County (closed at 12:00 p.m.), Marion County (closed at 1:00 p.m.), Marlboro County (closed at 12:00 p.m.), Sumter County (closed at 12:30 p.m.).

January 10, 2024:

Abbreviated Schedule: Orangeburg County (opened at 10:30 a.m.).

B. In the event that county government offices in a county not listed above were closed or operated on an abbreviated schedule due to the aforementioned hazardous weather conditions, I hereby authorize the

Department of Administration to grant leave with pay for affected state employees who were absent from work as a result of the corresponding closure of state government offices and to administratively add any such county to the list of covered closures without the need for further Orders.

Section 2. General Provisions

A. This Order is not intended to create, and does not create, any individual right, privilege, or benefit, whether substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the State of South Carolina, its agencies, departments, political subdivisions, or other entities, or any officers, employees, or agents thereof, or any other person.

B. This Order shall be implemented consistent with and to the maximum extent provided by applicable law and shall be subject to the availability of appropriations. This Order shall not be interpreted, applied, implemented, or construed in a manner so as to impair, impede

or otherwise affect the authority granted by law to an executive agency or department, or the officials or head thereof, including the undersigned.

C. This Order is effective immediately.

**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
THIS 11th DAY OF JANUARY, 2024.**

**HENRY MCMASTER
Governor**

10 NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

In accordance with Section 44-7-200(D), Code of Laws of South Carolina, the public is hereby notified that a Certificate of Need application has been accepted for filing and publication on **January 26, 2024**, for the following project(s). After the application is deemed complete, affected persons will be notified that the review cycle has begun. For further information, please contact Certificate of Need Program, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, at (803) 545-4200, or by email at coninfo@dhec.sc.gov.

Affecting Chesterfield County

McLeod Health Cheraw

Construction of a new 30,000 sf hospital for the replacement of the current McLeod Health Cheraw hospital with a decrease in beds to 29 acute care beds and 6 ICU beds for a total of 35 hospital beds at a total project cost of \$45,170,000.00.

Affecting Florence County

Open Heart Health Care, LLC d/b/a Open Heart Home Health

Establishment of a Home Health Agency in Florence County at a total project cost of \$11,550.00.

Affecting Horry County

Open Heart Health Care, LLC d/b/a Open Heart Home Health

Establishment of a Home Health Agency in Horry County at a total project cost of \$11,550.00.

Affecting Lexington County

Three Rivers Behavioral Health, LLC d/b/a Three Rivers Behavioral Health

Addition of 7 psychiatric beds for a total of 119 psychiatric beds at a total project cost of \$38,792.52.

Affecting Williamsburg County

Open Heart Health Care, LLC d/b/a Open Heart Home Health

Establishment of a Home Health Agency in Williamsburg County at a total project cost of \$11,550.00.

In accordance with Section 44-7-210(A), Code of Laws of South Carolina, and S.C. DHEC Regulation 61-15, the public and affected persons are hereby notified that for the following projects, applications have been deemed complete, and the review cycle has begun. A proposed decision will be made no earlier than 30 days, but no later than 90 days, from **January 26, 2024**. "Affected persons" have 30 days from the above date to submit requests for a public hearing to Certificate of Need Program, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201. If a public hearing is timely requested, the Department's decision will be made after the public hearing, but no later than 120 days from the above date. For further information call (803) 545-4200 or email coninfo@dhec.sc.gov.

Affecting Richland County

Sedgewood Manor Healthcare Center, LLC

Renovation of an existing facility of 5,532 sf and construction of an additional 12,500 sf for a total of 18,032 sf with the addition of 28 skilled nursing beds for a total of 66 skilled nursing beds at a total project cost of \$3,010,500.00.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

Section IV of R.61-98, the State Underground Petroleum Environmental Response Bank (SUPERB) Site Rehabilitation and Fund Access Regulation, requires that the Department of Health and Environmental Control evaluate and certify site rehabilitation contractors to perform site rehabilitation of releases from underground storage tanks under the State Underground Petroleum Environmental Response Bank (SUPERB) Act.

Class I Contractors perform work involving the collection and interpretation of investigative data; the evaluation of risk; and/or the design and implementation of corrective action plans. Class I applicants must satisfy registration requirements for a Professional Engineer or Geologist in South Carolina. Class II Contractors perform work involving routine investigative activities (e.g., soil or ground water sampling, well installation, aquifer testing) where said activities do not require interpretation of the data and are performed in accordance with established regulatory or industry standards.

Pursuant to Section IV.B.1., the Department is required to place a list of those contractors requesting certification on public notice and accept comments from the public for a period of thirty (30) days. If you wish to provide comments regarding the companies and/or individuals listed below, please submit your comments in writing, no later than February 23, 2024 to:

Contractor Certification Program
South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
Bureau of Land and Waste Management - Underground Storage Tank Program
Attn: Michelle Dennison
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, SC 29201

The following company has applied for certification as Underground Storage Tank Site Rehabilitation Contractor:

Class I

EnviroAssessments

Attn: Gary Sawyer
4258 NC Hwy 49 South
PO Box 519
Harrisburg, NC 28075-9702

12 DRAFTING NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY

CHAPTER 35

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 40-13-60

Notice of Drafting:

The South Carolina Board of Cosmetology proposes revising its regulations regarding the practice of esthetics generally, and will consider revising R.35-20. Interested persons may submit comments to Tracy Adams, Board Executive for the Cosmetology Board, South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, Post Office Box 11329, Columbia, S.C. 29211-1329.

Synopsis:

The South Carolina Board of Cosmetology proposes revising its regulations regarding the practice of esthetics generally, and will consider revising R.35-20.

Legislative review of this amendment is required.

Document No. 5262
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY
STATE LIVESTOCK-POULTRY HEALTH COMMISSION
 CHAPTER 27
 Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 47-4-30 and 47-17-130

27-1023. State Meat Inspection Regulation.

Synopsis:

These regulations are being promulgated to modernize, clarify and update existing regulations which govern, to the extent authorized by S. C. Code, Title 47, Chapter 4, the inspection of meat and meat food products produced for intrastate commerce. These updated regulations are necessary to comply with the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 USCA 661, Section 301) which established Federal-State Cooperative Meat Inspection Programs. This is a grant program with equal federal-state funding. A cooperating state is required to adopt regulations “at least equal to” those adopted by the federal government. This regulation will, in effect, adopt the current Federal Meat Inspection Regulations with some minor exceptions for some state specific requirements.

The Notice of Drafting was published in the *State Register* on August 25, 2023.

Instructions:

Print the regulation as shown below. All other items remain unchanged.

Text:

27-1023. State Meat Inspection Regulation.

A. Definitions.

1. Commission means the State Livestock-Poultry Health Commission, Clemson University.
2. Director means the Director, Livestock-Poultry Health Programs, Clemson University.
3. Custom Processor means the custom preparation by any person of carcasses, parts thereof, meat or meat food products derived from the slaughter by any individual of cattle, sheep, swine or goats of his own raising or from game animals, delivered by the owner thereof for such custom preparation and transportation in commerce of such custom prepared article, exclusively for the use in the household by the owner and members of the owners household and the owners non-paying guests and employees in an establishment permitted by the State Meat Inspection Department for that purpose.

B. Permit required; fee; application; refusal, revocation or suspension.

1. Custom processors shall secure a permit from the Commission.
2. The permit fee is twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) annually or for part of a year. The permit year is July 1 to June 30. The fee must be retained by the Commission. The Commission by regulation may increase the fee to not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00).
3. The Commission, for cause, may refuse to grant a permit, may revoke or modify a permit, or assess a civil penalty in accordance with Section 47-4-130, South Carolina Code of Laws (1976) as amended.

C. Adoption of Federal Meat Inspection Regulations.

The United States Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Meat Inspection Regulations, 9 CFR, Chapter III, Subchapter A, Parts 300-321, 325, 329, 332, 335, 352 and 354, and Subchapter E, Parts 412, 416-418, 424, 430, 441, 442 and 500 and all changes thereto in effect as of January 1, 2024, are hereby adopted as the State Meat Inspection Regulations, with exceptions as noted below.

D. Exceptions to the Federal Meat Inspection Regulations.

14 FINAL REGULATIONS

1. Subchapter A, Part 307, Section 307.5(a) – Overtime Inspection Service. Fees and charges for overtime inspection service will be established, as required, by the Commission.

2. Subchapter A, Part 307, Section 307.5(b) – Holiday Inspection Service. State holidays as designated by the State Budget and Control Board will be utilized by the state inspection program.

3. Subchapter A, Part 312 – Official Marks, Devices and Certificates. Official state marks, devices and certificates of inspection will be utilized by the state inspection program.

4. Subchapter A, Part 352, Section 352.5 – Holiday and Overtime Inspection Services. Fees and charges for overtime and state holiday inspection services will be established, as required by the Commission.

5. Subchapter A, Part 352, Section 352.7 – Marking Inspected Products. Official state marks, devices and certificates of inspection will be utilized by the state inspection program.

E. In addition to temporary suspension in whole or in part of inspection services, as provided for in this regulation, the Director may, when he determines that the operator of any official establishment or any subsidiary therein, acting within the scope of his office, employment or agency, has threatened to forcibly assault or has forcibly assaulted, intimidated, harassed or interfered with any program employees in or on account of his official duties under the law, assess a civil penalty in accordance with Section 47-4-130(b), S.C. Code of Laws, (1976) as amended.

F. The complete text of these regulations is available for review at the Meat-Poultry Inspection Department, Livestock-Poultry Health Programs, Clemson University.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

No additional state funding is requested.

Statement of Rationale:

None.

Document No. 5261
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY
STATE LIVESTOCK-POULTRY HEALTH COMMISSION
CHAPTER 27

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 47-4-30, 47-19-30, and 47-19-170

27-1022. State Poultry Products Inspection Regulation.

Synopsis:

These regulations are being promulgated to modernize, clarify and update existing regulations which govern, to the extent authorized by S.C. Code, Title 47, Chapter 4, the inspection of poultry products produced for intrastate commerce. These updated regulations are necessary to comply with the federal Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 USCA 454, Section 5) which establishes Federal-State Cooperative Poultry Inspection Programs. This is a grant program with equal federal-state funding. A cooperating state is required to adopt regulations “at least equal to” those adopted by the federal government. This regulation will, in effect, adopt the current Federal Poultry Products Inspection Regulations with some minor exceptions for some state specific requirements.

The Notice of Drafting was published in the *State Register* on August 25, 2023.

Instructions:

Print the regulation as shown below. All other items remain unchanged.

Text:

27-1022. State Poultry Products Inspection Regulation.

A. Definitions.

1. Commission means the State Livestock-Poultry Health Commission, Clemson University.
2. Director means the Director, Livestock-Poultry Health Programs, Clemson University.

B. Adoption of Federal Poultry Products Regulations.

The United States Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Poultry Products Inspection Regulations, 9 CFR, Chapter III, Subchapter A, Parts 362 and 381 and Subchapter E. Parts 412, 416-418, 424, 430, 441, 442 and 500 and all changes thereto in effect as of January 1, 2024, are hereby adopted as the State Poultry Inspection Regulations, with exception as noted below.

C. Exceptions to the Federal Poultry Products Inspection Regulations.

(1) Subchapter A, Part 362, Voluntary Poultry Inspection Regulations, Section 362.5. Fees and charges for voluntary inspection services will be established, as required, by the Commission.

(2) Subchapter A, Part 381, Subpart G, Facilities for Inspection, Section 381.38. State holidays as designated by the State Budget and Control Board will be utilized by the state inspection program.

(3) Subchapter A, Part 381, Subpart G, Facilities for Inspection, Section 381.39. Fees and charges for overtime and holiday inspection services will be established, as required, by the Commission.

(4) Subchapter A, Part 381, Subpart M, Official Marks, Devices and Certificates. Official state marks, devices and certificates of inspection will be utilized by the state inspection program.

D. The complete text of these regulations is available for review at the Meat-Poultry Inspection Department, Livestock-Poultry Health Programs, Clemson University.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

No additional state funding is requested.

Statement of Rationale:

None.