

65-6a30. Meat and poultry inspection program established; personnel; inspection duties; rules and regulations. (a) There shall be established by the secretary of agriculture a meat and poultry inspection program to enforce the provisions of the Kansas meat and poultry inspection act. The program shall be under the supervision of the secretary of agriculture and the secretary shall appoint such personnel as may be necessary for the proper administration of the Kansas meat and poultry inspection act.

(b) The secretary of agriculture shall make provision for the examination and inspection of all livestock, domestic rabbits and poultry, as provided for under the Kansas meat and poultry inspection act, and of all carcasses and parts thereof, of all meats and meat food products thereof, of all poultry and poultry products thereof and of the sanitary conditions of all establishments in which such carcasses, parts of carcasses and products are prepared. Authorized representatives of the secretary shall refuse to stamp, mark, tag or label any carcass or any part thereof or any meat food product therefrom which is prepared in any establishment until the carcass or part thereof or meat food product has actually been inspected and found to be not adulterated.

(c) The authorized representatives of the secretary shall perform such other duties as are provided by this act and by the rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of agriculture.

(d) The secretary of agriculture shall adopt and amend from time to time such rules and regulations as are necessary for the efficient execution of the provisions of this act. On and after January 1, 2009, the secretary shall not promulgate or enforce any such rules and regulations that are more stringent, restrictive or expansive than required by federal law or any rule and regulation adopted by the United States department of agriculture. If the secretary determines that a more stringent, restrictive or expansive rule and regulation is necessary, the secretary may implement the rule and regulation only after approval by an act of the legislature.

(e) All inspections and examinations made under this act shall be made in the manner described in the rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of agriculture and shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

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