

Notice of Public Hearing

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Under [IC 4-22-2-24](#), notice is hereby given that on July 10, 2018, at 9:40 a.m., at the Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH), 1202 East 38th Street, Discovery Hall Suite 100, Indianapolis, Indiana, the BOAH will hold a public hearing on a proposed rule that amends rules governing meat and poultry products inspection. The purpose of the proposed rule is to conform with the United States Department of Agriculture - Food Safety Inspection Service (USDA-FSIS) regulatory requirements under the federal Meat Inspection Act and Poultry Products Inspection Act (9 CFR Parts 300 – 500). State law requires the BOAH to enforce requirements with respect to intrastate operations that are at least equal to those imposed and enforced under the federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) and the federal Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.) ([IC 15-17-5-1\(4\)](#)). In order to comply with this statutory mandate, BOAH must periodically update the meat and poultry rules to ensure they are at least equal to 9 CFR Subchapter E, which contains the requirements for federally-inspected facilities. This is accomplished by updating the incorporation by reference of certain federal regulations every two years. BOAH is proposing to update the incorporation by reference at [345 IAC 9-2.1-1](#) and [345 IAC 10-2.1-1](#) from January 1, 2016, to January 1, 2018. The rule also clarifies references to certain federal regulations and updates the incorporation by reference of the federal regulations for the voluntary inspection of rabbits.

The proposed rule does not impose costs beyond what is expressly required by state and federal law. Therefore, the proposed rule does not impose costs on a regulated entity that would require a justification statement under [IC 4-22-2-24\(d\)\(3\)](#).

Copies of these rules are now on file at the Indiana State Board of Animal Health, 1202 East 38th Street, Discovery Hall Suite 100, Indianapolis, Indiana and are open for public inspection and copying.

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