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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Version: As Reported by House Agriculture and Conservation

Primary Sponsor: Rep. Koehler

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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The bill does not have a direct fiscal effect on the state or political subdivisions. The bill makes numerous changes to laws governing food safety that are enforced by the Department of Agriculture's Division of Food Safety. According to the Department, these provisions in the bill are duplicative of other state or federal requirements or are outdated. Consequently, the bill eliminates or alters these provisions to conform with current standards.

Additionally, the bill decreases, from six to three, the minimum number of poultry chicks under four weeks old that may be sold, given away, or otherwise distributed in a given lot. Under current law, unchanged by the bill, whoever violates this provision is guilty of a fourth degree misdemeanor (fine up to \$250 and jail stay up to 30 days) on a first offense and a third degree misdemeanor (fine up to \$500 and jail stay up to 60 days) on each subsequent offense. As violations of this provision are expected to be few and infrequent, there should be no discernible ongoing effect on the caseloads and related annual operating costs of county and municipal criminal justice systems, including the municipal and county courts that adjudicate misdemeanor violations.