

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1436

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By: Senator J. Scott

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO PLACE LOCATION RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN FOOD PROCESSING PLANTS OPERATING A SLAUGHTERHOUSE ON THE SAME GROUNDS AS THE FOOD PROCESSING PLANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO PLACE LOCATION RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN FOOD PROCESSING PLANTS OPERATING A SLAUGHTERHOUSE ON THE SAME GROUNDS AS THE FOOD PROCESSING PLANTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 57, Subchapter 2, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

20-57-210. Location restrictions for certain food processing plants operating a slaughterhouse – Definition.

(a)(1) As used in this section, "food processing plant" means a commercial operation that processes food for human consumption and provides processed food for sale and distribution to other entities.

(2) "Food processing plant" does not include a retail food store, convenience store, food market, delicatessen, restaurant, or cafeteria.

(b) A food processing plant operating a slaughterhouse on the same grounds as the food processing plant that is located within a city of the first class shall not operate within two (2) miles of a:

(1) Church;



(2) Public school; or

(3) Densely populated residential area.

(c) This section does not prevent a city of the first class from undertaking a process to approve or otherwise regulate the operations of a food processing plant operating a slaughterhouse on the same grounds as the food processing plant, including without limitation making a determination that the food processing plant would operate in violation of subsection (b) of this section.

(d) This section does not apply to a food processing plant that is operating on the effective date of this section.