

1 H.263

2 Introduced by Representative Pearson of Burlington

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Agriculture; commercial feed; arsenic prohibition

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to prohibit the
7 sale and distribution of commercial poultry feed that contains arsenic.

8 An act relating to the prohibition of commercial poultry feed that contains
9 arsenic

10 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

11 Sec. 1. 6 V.S.A. § 337 is added to read:

12 § 337. POULTRY FEED CONTAINING ARSENIC; PROHIBITION

13 No person shall sell or distribute for use or sale within the State any
14 commercial feed product that is intended for use as poultry feed that contains
15 Roxarsone or any other feed ingredient or additive that contains arsenic.

16 Sec 2. 6 V.S.A. § 327 is amended to read:

17 § 327. ADULTERATION

18 (a) A commercial feed including whole seeds shall be deemed to be
19 adulterated if it bears or contains any poisonous or deleterious substance which
20 may render it injurious to health, but in case the substance is not an added

1 substance, the commercial feed shall not be considered adulterated under this
2 subsection if the quantity of the substance in the commercial feed does not
3 ordinarily render it injurious to health.

4 (b) Any other commercial feed shall be deemed to be adulterated if:

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6 (3) it contains a drug and the methods used in or the facilities or controls
7 used for its manufacture, processing, or packaging do not conform to current
8 good manufacturing practice and rules promulgated by the secretary to assure
9 that the drug meets the requirement of this chapter as to safety and has the
10 identity and strength and meets the quality and purity characteristics which it
11 purports or is represented to possess; ~~or~~

12 (4) it contains viable weed seeds in amounts exceeding the limits that
13 the secretary shall establish by rule; or

14 (5) it contains Roxarsone or any other feed ingredient or additive that
15 contains arsenic.

16 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

17 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.