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SENATE BILL NO. 55

BY SENATOR RISER

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES. Provides for an exemption to the Louisiana Weights and Measures Law. (8/1/19)

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 3:4623(C), relative to the Louisiana Weights and Measures Law;
3	to provide relative to the sale of shelled field corn; to exempt the sale of shelled field
4	corn from the Louisiana Weights and Measures Law under certain conditions; and
5	to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 3:4623(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
8	§4623. Exemption from Chapter
9	* * *
10	C. This Chapter does not apply to the sale of shelled field corn if the net
11	weight of the shelled field corn is verified by a National Type Evaluation Program
12	(NTEP) certified scale prior to distribution of the shelled field corn made directly
13	from a producer to a purchaser if the following conditions are met:
14	(1) The shelled field corn is measured from a timed distribution device.
15	(2) The net weight of the shelled field corn is verified by a National
16	Institute of Standards and Technology certified floor scale.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Curry Lann.

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<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 3:4601 et sq.) provides for the Louisiana Weights and Measures Law, which sets the standards and requirements for the sale of all agriculture commodities. Further requires the Department of Agriculture and Forestry to supervise the weights, measures, and weighing and measuring devices offered for sale, sold, and used in the state.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 3:4623(C)) exempts the sale of shelled field corn from the Louisiana Weights and Measures Law if the net weight of the shelled field corn is verified by a National Type Evaluation Program (NTEP) certified scale prior to distribution of the shelled field corn.

<u>Proposed law</u> exempts the sale of shelled field corn made directly from a producer to a purchaser if the following conditions are met:

- (1) The shelled field corn is measured from a timed distribution device.
- (2) The net weight of the shelled field corn is verified by a National Institute of Standards and Technology certified floor scale.

Effective August 1, 2019.

(Amends R.S. 3:4623(C))