

115TH CONGRESS
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S. 1232

To amend the Federal Meat Inspection Act to exempt from inspection the slaughter of animals and the preparation of carcasses conducted at a custom slaughter facility, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 25, 2017

Mr. KING (for himself and Mr. PAUL) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Processing Revival and
5 Intrastate Meat Exemption Act” or the “PRIME Act”.

1 ried out in accordance with the law of the State
2 in which the custom slaughter facility is lo-
3 cated; and

4 “(B) the animals are slaughtered and the
5 carcasses, parts thereof, meat, and meat food
6 products of the animals are prepared exclusively
7 for distribution to—

8 “(i) household consumers within the
9 State in which the custom slaughter facil-
10 ity is located; or

11 “(ii) restaurants, hotels, boarding
12 houses, grocery stores, or other establish-
13 ments located in the State in which the
14 custom slaughter facility is located that—

15 “(I) are involved in the prepara-
16 tion of meals served directly to con-
17 sumers; or

18 “(II) offer meat and meat food
19 products for sale directly to con-
20 sumers in the State.”; and

21 (3) in subsection (c) (as so redesignated), in the
22 second sentence, by striking “paragraph (b)” and in-
23 serting “subsection”.

1 **SEC. 3. NO PREEMPTION OF STATE LAW.**

2 Nothing in an amendment made by section 2 pre-
3 empts any State law relating to—

4 (1) the slaughter of animals or the preparation
5 of carcasses, parts thereof, meat, and meat food
6 products at a custom slaughter facility; or

7 (2) the sale of meat or meat food products.

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