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MEMORANDUM

To: The House Standing Committee on Agriculture

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: 1-28-2021

Re: HB 2102

HB 2102 would update egg repackaging requirements for retailers. Under current law, a retailer must fulfill an initial list of requirements in order to repackage eggs at all. Once the first list has been fulfilled, a retailer must follow a second list of requirements if they wish to grade the repackaged eggs higher than grade B.

HB 2102 would decouple the two lists so that the relabeling and record keeping requirements from the first list would not apply to retailers who want to sell repackaged eggs at their original A or AA grade and in cartons from the original distributor.

Subsection (a) would state that a retailer may repackage eggs located in a store as long as the requirements in subsection (b) or (c) are met.

Repackaged eggs could be graded as grade B if the standards listed in subsection (b) are met. The language in the new subsection (b) has been reworked for clarity but there are no substantive changes.

Repackaged eggs could be graded higher than grade B if the standards in subsection (c) are met. The first four requirements under subsection (c) mirror requirements from subsection (b). Additionally, in paragraph (5), undamaged eggs from damaged containers would need to be placed into containers that are already labeled with the same distributor and packer information, including the Kansas egg license number or U.S.D.A. plant number. The additional markups in the bill are just technical in nature.

HB 2102 would become effective upon publication in the statute book on July 1, 2021.