

## HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

**HB 618**

**2020 Regular Session**

**Thompson**

AGRICULTURE: Provides for the regulation of commercial feed and use of the Feed and Fertilizer Fund

### Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Makes technical changes.
2. Removes proposed law provisions that defined an adulterated commercial feed as one that renders the feed injurious to the health of livestock or pets who consume the products, or to humans that may handle the products or consume the resultant food product of the livestock.
3. Removes proposed law provisions that added authority for the commissioner to regulate the sale, distribution, or movement of commercial feeds for the purpose of feeding pets based on a reasonable belief that the feed could pose an immediate threat to the lives or health of such pets.
4. Removes a provision that extended the commissioner's authority to detain commercial feed from five to 10 working days.

### Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law requires the Ag Chemistry and Seed Commission (commission) to adopt good manufacturing practice regulations for medicating feed premixes and medicated feeds under federal law.

Proposed law retains present law and adds a reference to federal law.

Present law requires registrants to pay a fee, not to exceed \$20, when filing a label with the commission, and requires the commission to establish, by rule, a schedule of labeling fees based on the number of registrants, the volume of commercial feed sold in the state by each, and the estimated expenses incurred by the commissioner of agriculture in administering the label program.

Proposed law removes the criteria by which the commission must establish the labeling fees by rule, but otherwise retains present law.

Present law provides for the use of monies in the Feed and Fertilizer Fund to be expended on the expenses of the office of agricultural and environmental sciences as determined by the commissioner of agriculture.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the office of animal health and food safety as an acceptable expenditure of the fund.

(Amends R.S. 3:1396(8), 1401(B), and 1407(B)(1))