



## GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Gary W. Black, Commissioner

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**DATE:** October 1, 2018

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to Consider the Adoption of Amendments to Meat Inspection – Meat Processing Rules

### **TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:**

Pursuant to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4 and O.C.G.A. § 26-2-80, notice is hereby given that the Georgia Department of Agriculture will be accepting written comments regarding the adoption of amendments to Rules 40-10-1-.01, 40-10-1-.04, and 40-10-1-.20 relating to Meat Inspection – Meat Processing. The Department will be accepting written comments from October 1, 2018 to close of business (4:30 p.m. EST) on October 31, 2018.

### **SYNOPSIS, MAIN FEATURES AND DIFFERENCES:**

The Department is proposing to amend its Meat Inspection – Meat Process rules to be consistent with recent changes by the United States Department of Agriculture to the Code of Federal Regulations. Specifically, the Department is proposing the following amendments:

1. The Department is proposing to amend Rule 40-10-1-.01 by adding Title 9 Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter III, Part 431 to the rules and regulations for mandatory meat inspection.
2. The Department is proposing to amend Rule 40-10-1-.04 by removing the last sentence in paragraph (1)(f) relating to trichina.
3. The Department is proposing to amend Rule 40-10-1-.20 by removing the requirements contained in paragraph (10) relating to trichinae and reserving the paragraph number.

### **COMMENT PERIOD AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

The Department will be accepting written comments from October 1, 2018, to close of business (4:30 p.m. EST) on October 31, 2018. Comments will be considered on November 1, 2018. Please submit written comments to:

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Interested persons may call or submit a written request to obtain a copy of the proposed Rules. A copy of the synopsis and the proposed Rules may be downloaded from the Georgia Department of Agriculture website at [www.agr.georgia.gov](http://www.agr.georgia.gov).

This notice is given in compliance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.