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**TITLE 345 INDIANA STATE BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH**

**Notice of Intent to Adopt a Rule**

LSA Document #18-123

Under [IC 4-22-2-23](#), the Indiana State Board of Animal Health intends to adopt a rule concerning the following:

**OVERVIEW:** Amends Board of Animal Health (BOAH) rules governing meat and poultry products inspection to conform with the United States Department of Agriculture - Food Safety Inspection Service (USDA-FSIS) regulatory requirements under the federal Meat Inspection Act and Poultry Products Inspection Act (9 CFR Parts 300 – 500). State law requires the BOAH to enforce requirements with respect to intrastate operations that are at least equal to those imposed and enforced under the federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) and the federal Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.) ([IC 15-17-5-1](#)(4)). In order to comply with this statutory mandate, BOAH must periodically update the meat and poultry rules to ensure they are at least equal to 9 CFR Subchapter E, which contains the requirements for federally-inspected facilities. This is accomplished by updating the incorporation by reference of certain federal regulations every two years. BOAH is proposing to update the incorporation by reference at [345 IAC 9-2.1-1](#) and [345 IAC 10-2.1-1](#) from January 1, 2016, to January 1, 2018. The rule also clarifies references to certain federal regulations and updates the incorporation by reference of the federal regulations for the voluntary inspection of rabbits. Questions and comments concerning the proposed rule may be sent to the Small Business Regulatory Coordinator for this rule. Statutory authority: [IC 15-17-3](#); [IC 15-17-5](#).

For purposes of [IC 4-22-2-28.1](#), the Small Business Regulatory Coordinator for this rule is:

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For purposes of [IC 4-22-2-28.1](#), the Small Business Ombudsman designated by [IC 5-28-17-6](#) is:

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Resources available to regulated entities through the small business ombudsman include the ombudsman's duties stated in [IC 5-28-17-6](#), specifically [IC 5-28-17-6](#)(9), investigating and attempting to resolve any matter regarding compliance by a small business with a law, rule, or policy administered by a state agency, either as a party to a proceeding or as a mediator.

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