

CHAPTER 1151

ARTISANAL BUTCHERY — IMPLEMENTATION OF TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS

H.F. 2470

AN ACT adopting and implementing the recommendations of the artisanal butchery task force.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. ARTISANAL BUTCHERY TASK FORCE — IMPLEMENTATION OF FINAL REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS. The artisanal butchery task force, established pursuant to [2021 Iowa Acts, chapter 175, section 2](#), issued its final report to the general assembly on December 30, 2021. Adopting the recommendations of the final report, all of the following shall occur:

1. a. No later than December 31, 2022, the department of education, in collaboration with the state board of education, shall establish a framework for a one-year community college certificate program for artisanal butchery that is based on the recommendations in the artisanal butchery task force final report, and the department shall provide the framework to all community colleges established under [chapter 260C](#).

b. A community college established under [chapter 260C](#) that elects to establish a one-year certificate program for artisanal butchery shall use the framework provided by the department of education under paragraph “a” as the minimum requirements, and may modify the curriculum based on the unique circumstances of the specific community college. Pursuant to [sections 258.3A, 258.4, and 260C.14](#), and applicable Iowa administrative rules, the community college shall obtain approval of the community college’s certificate program prior to implementation of the program.

2. a. The department of workforce development, in collaboration with the economic development authority, shall develop and maintain a library of resources that serves as a single resource point at which any Iowa-based business involved in meat processing may obtain education and financial assistance information. The library shall include, at a minimum, information on all of the following:

(1) Short courses offered at the meats laboratory at Iowa state university of science and technology.

(2) Registered apprenticeships.

(3) Summer youth internships.

(4) Jobs training under [chapter 260F](#).

(5) Establishing an in-house apprenticeship program.

(6) How to access training programs.

(7) Employee development opportunities.

(8) Future ready Iowa programs.

(9) The butchery innovation and revitalization grant program.

(10) The choose Iowa marketing and promotion grant program.

b. The library of resources shall be posted on the department’s internet site, in a manner that is easily accessible to the public, no later than December 31, 2022.

3. No later than July 31, 2022, and notwithstanding the minimum criteria listed in [section 84A.1B, subsection 14](#), paragraphs “a” through “c”, the workforce development board shall add butchery, artisanal butchery, and meat processing to the list of high-demand jobs for the purposes listed in [section 84A.1B, subsection 14](#).

4. a. The department of agriculture and land stewardship shall collaborate with Iowa state university extension and outreach to develop and maintain a direct-to-consumer tool kit that contains, at a minimum, the information detailed in the artisanal butchery task force’s final report. The direct-to-consumer tool kit shall be posted on the department’s internet site, in a manner that is easily accessible to the public, no later than December 31, 2022.

b. The department of agriculture and land stewardship shall develop and maintain a directory of meat lockers in Iowa that provides the location of, and the contact information for, each meat locker in the directory. The directory shall be posted on the department’s

internet site, in a manner that is easily accessible to the public, no later than December 31, 2022.

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