BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 1457 By: McReynolds Environmental Regulation Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Currently, Section 26.303 of the Water Code allows poultry carcasses to be disposed of as swine feed, but section 165.026 of the Agriculture Code prohibits it.

CSHB 1457 rectifies the conflicting codes by amending the Water Code and striking the disposal of poultry carcasses as feed for swine. The bill also prohibits the storage of unfrozen poultry carcasses on the site of a poultry facility for more than 72 hours.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

CSHB 1457 amends the Water Code to remove "cooking for swine food" from the list of acceptable methods for disposal of poultry carcasses. The bill also prohibits the storage of unfrozen poultry carcasses on the site of a poultry facility for more than 72 hours.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2007.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL TO SUBSTITUTE

The substitute amends the original bill to prohibit the storage of unfrozen poultry carcasses on the site of the poultry facility for more than 72 hours.