Brief*

HB 2464 would clarify the Kansas Egg Law regarding repacked eggs (*Note: Repacking eggs means removing a broken or dirty egg from a carton and replacing it with an unbroken and clean egg as long as certain requirements in current law are met.)*

The bill would clarify which requirements would need to be met for repacked eggs to be graded Grade B and which requirements would need to be met to repack eggs to be graded higher than Grade B.

The bill would replace the word “repackaged” with “repacked” and make technical changes.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Agriculture at the request of a representative of Walmart.

In the House Committee hearing, the Deputy Secretary of the Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) and a representative of Walmart provided proponent testimony on the bill, stating the bill would clarify amendments to the Kansas Egg Law that were added in 2018 regarding the requirements of repacking eggs of certain grades by retailers.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at http://www.kslegislature.org
Written-only proponent testimony was provided by Dillons Stores and Hy-Vee, Inc.

The House Committee amended the bill by adding clarifying language suggested by the Office of Revisor of Statutes.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill as introduced, the KDA indicates enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on agency operations.