

2023 Kansas Statutes

65-660. Same; adulterated or misbranded food, drug, device or cosmetic; detaining or embargoing; condemnation proceedings; consolidation, when; samples and analyses of seized articles; destruction of certain perishable food. (a) Whenever the secretary finds or has probable cause to believe, that any food, drug, device or cosmetic is adulterated, contains any substance injurious to public health, is offered in violation of any of the provisions of the food, drug and cosmetic act or rules and regulations adopted thereunder, or so misbranded as to be dangerous or fraudulent, within the meaning of this act, the secretary shall affix to such article a tag or other appropriate marking, giving notice that such article is, or is suspected of being, adulterated or misbranded and has been detained or embargoed. Such tag or marking shall warn all persons not to remove or dispose of such article by sale or otherwise until permission for removal or disposal is given by the secretary. It shall be unlawful for any person to remove such tag or marking from a detained or embargoed article or remove or dispose of such detained or embargoed article by sale or otherwise without the permission of the secretary.

(b) When an article detained or embargoed under subsection (a) has been found to be adulterated or misbranded, the secretary shall issue an order establishing measures to prevent further contamination or threat to the public health. The secretary may order the destruction of contaminated food, drugs, devices or cosmetics if no alternative assures that further contamination or health hazards are averted.

(c) If the secretary finds that an article so detained or embargoed is not adulterated or misbranded, the secretary shall remove the tag or other marking. Any order issued pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) shall be subject to review in accordance with the Kansas judicial review act. Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting the right of the secretary to proceed as authorized by other sections of this act.

History: L. 1953, ch. 286, § 6; L. 1974, ch. 352, § 101; L. 2012, ch. 145, § 19; July 1.