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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1485, L.D. 2084, Bill, “An Act Prohibiting Certain Confinement of Egg-laying Hens and the Sale of Their Eggs”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To Update Best Management Practices for Poultry Facilities'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Best management practices for poultry facilities. Resolved: That the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall update department best management practices for poultry facilities in the State and establish guidelines for cage-free production of eggs. The department may cross-reference 3rd-party certifiers' specifications for keeping egg-laying hens humanely in cage-free housing systems.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report, directs the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to update its best management practices for poultry facilities in the State and to establish guidelines for cage-free production of eggs.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT