By Senator Yarborough

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An act relating to cultivated meat; amending s.

500.03, F.S.; defining the term "cultivated meat"; creating s. 500.452, F.S.; prohibiting the

manufacture, sale, holding or offering for sale, or distribution of cultivated meat in this state;

providing criminal penalties; providing for additional

licensing penalties; providing that such products are subject to an immediate stop-sale order; authorizing the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to

adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Present paragraphs (k) through (y) of subsection (1) of section 500.03, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as paragraphs (l) through (z), respectively, and a new paragraph

(k) is added to that subsection, to read:

500.03 Definitions; construction; applicability.-

- (1) For the purpose of this chapter, the term:
- (k) "Cultivated meat" means any meat or food product produced from cultured animal cells.

Section 2. Section 500.452, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

500.452 Cultivated meat; prohibition; penalties.-

- (1) It is unlawful for any person to manufacture, sell, hold or offer for sale, or distribute cultivated meat in this state.
 - (2) A person who violates this section commits a

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misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

- (3) A food establishment that manufactures, distributes, or sells cultivated meat in violation of this section is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to s. 500.121.
- (4) In addition to the penalties provided in this section, the license of any restaurant, store, or other business may be suspended as provided in the applicable licensing law upon the conviction of an owner or employee of that business for a violation of this section in connection with that business.
- (5) A product found to be in violation of this section is subject to s. 500.172 and an immediate stop-sale order.
- (6) The department may adopt rules to implement this section.
 - Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.