



EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 21st REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF CAVITE HELD ON NOVEMBER 25, 2013 AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, TRECE MARTIRES CITY, CAVITE

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Hon. Larry Boy S. Nato	Board Member, 3 rd District
Hon. Teofilo B. Lara	Board Member, 4 th District
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Hon. Ives Jayne A. Reyes	Board Member, 5 th District
Hon. Irene P. Bencito	Board Member, 7 th District
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Hon. Meidon G. de Sagun	SK Provincial Fed. President

ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Hon. Eileen R. Beratio Board Member, 7th District

ABSENT:

Hon. Dino Carlo R. Chua Board Member, 1st District

PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2013-022

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE "PROVINCIAL MEAT INSPECTION SERVICE" TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND QUALITY OF MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION IN THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE

(Authored By: Hon. Ives Jayne A. Reyes)

WHEREAS, as provided for in Republic Act No.7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, every local government unit shall exercise powers and discharge functions that will ensure the health and safety of its constituents;

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the local government to implement the provisions of Republic Act No.7394, otherwise known as the Consumer Act of the Philippines, with the primary purpose of protecting the health and safety of the consumers;

WHEREAS, Sec. 10 Chapter 3 of the IRR of the Republic Act No.9296, otherwise known as the Meat Inspection Code of the Philippines of 2004, provides for the local government units to regulate the construction, management and operation of slaughterhouses, meat inspection, meat transport and post abattoir control, monitor, evaluate, collect fees and charges in accordance with national policies, procedures, guidelines, rules and regulations, quality and safety standards of the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS);

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WHEREAS, pursuant to this, the Provincial Government of Cavite shall initiate measures to provide services that will ensure safe and wholesome meat and meat products for the consuming public;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Ivey Jayne A. Reyes duly seconded by Hon. Gawaran and all the members present, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED to adopt Ordinance establishing the "Provincial Meat Inspection Service" to ensure the safety and quality of meat products for human consumption in the province of Cavite, to read as follows

Section 1. SHORT TITLE. This ordinance shall be known and cited as the "*Cavite Meat Inspection Ordinance.*"

Section 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. It is the policy of the Provincial Government of Cavite that the Cavitenios are consuming safe and wholesome meat and meat products thereby ensuring their health and safety.

Section 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. The following terms as used in this Ordinance shall mean:

1. Accredited meat establishment-any meat establishment engaged in the slaughtering operation, preparation, processing, manufacturing, storing or canning of meat and meat products for commerce that is authorized to operate by the National Meat Inspection Service(NMIS).
2. "BOTCHA" Double-Dead Meat/ Hot Meat (require in NMIS)- refers not only to those unsafe meat that is not good for Human Consumption. These are meats/ carcasses that are being sold or consumed without undergoing standard process and that is not slaughtered in accredited Slaughter houses.
3. Carcass-the body of any slaughtered animal after bleeding and dressing.
4. Chilled meat-meat maintained at a temperature of 0-10 degree Celsius.
5. Frozen meat-meat subjected to a temperature of -18 degree Celsius.
6. Hot meat-meat from unaccredited meat establishment and not undergone the required meat inspection.
7. Locally Registered Meat Establishment-slaughterhouses ,poultry dressing plants, meat processing plants that are allowed to operate by local government units but are not accredited by the National Meat Inspection Service(NMIS).
8. Meat Inspection-an act that is done to ensure the safety and quality of meat and meat products for human food.
9. National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS)- the sole national controlling authority on meat hygiene.

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- 10. Offal-refers to edible organs,glands ,tissues of food animals other than meat.
- 11.Provincial Meat Inspection Service (PMIS)-The National Meat InspectionService(NMIS) local counterpart that will supervise meat inspection among cities and municipalities.

Section 4. CREATION.

- 4.1 The Provincial Government of Cavite shall establish the Provincial Meat Inspection Service (PMIS). The Provincial Veterinarian shall head the PMIS and shall exercise direct supervision over meat inspection personnel of the province and technical supervision over meat inspection personnel of component cities and municipalities within the territorial jurisdiction of the province to ensure that they act within the scope of their prescribed powers and functions.
- 4.2 A Task Force shall be organized and designated by the Local Chief Executive through a Special Order with corresponding logistical support.

Section 5. COMPOSITION

- 5.1 The Task Force shall be composed of members from the Philippine National Police, Provincial Veterinary Office, City/Municipal Veterinary Office, Municipal Agriculture Office and Meat Inspectors.
- 5.2 Police officers from the Philippine National Police(PNP) who are under the jurisdiction of respective local government units shall be made part of the PMIS team for security purposes, particularly when the nature of the enforcement activity or the situation during the implementation process warrants physical or armed defense, seizure of properties, or arrest of individuals who are in conflict with the meat inspection law.
- 5.3 All Municipalities/ Cities in the Province of Cavite are required to create Meat Inspection Service.
- 5.4 The Barangay Council and Barangay Health Workers may be called upon for assistance. The Barangay Officials and Barangay Health Workers are required to inform, educate, and assist concerns on safety and quality and to report any case in violation of Consumer Act.
- 5.5 A representative from the private sector in poultry/livestock business may only be involved to observe the implementation of the Provincial Meat Inspection Ordinance by the Provincial Meat Inspection Service (PMIS).

Section 6. FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 6.1 The Provincial Meat Inspection Service(PMIS) shall:
 - (a) Conduct regular visit and inspection in component cities and municipalities of the province to fully understand the problems and conditions of the meat inspection services thereat.

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- (b) Ensure that standards are met in the performance of meat inspection and in the operation of slaughterhouses within the province.
- (c) Enforce humane handling and slaughtering of food animals.

- 6.2 The responsibility for the delivery of basic meat inspection service particularly the conduct of actual meat inspection belongs to the cities and municipalities.
- 6.3 The Provincial Meat Inspection Service (PMIS) shall be responsible in ensuring that only meat and meat products that passed meat inspection shall be offered for sale within its territorial jurisdiction.
- 6.4 The Task Force shall have the power to:

- (a) Confiscate any meat carcasses or parts, offal and meat products found to have been prepared, handled, packed, stored, transported or offered for sale within the province as human food not in accordance with any provisions of the Meat Inspection Code.
- (b) Impose administrative fines on persons in conflict with the law;
- (c) Issue, after due process, cease and desist order or recommend the closure of LRME of the locality where the establishment is located.

- 6.5 The Provincial Meat Inspection Service (PMIS) shall have a monthly meeting to discuss all cases encountered regarding implementation of the ordinance.

Section 7. SCOPE OF IMPLEMENTATION. The following shall be the areas of concern of this Ordinance:

- 7.1 Meat markets/channels shall be the subject of the Provincial Meat Inspection Service that includes:
 - 7.1.1 slaughterhouses (accredited and locally registered)
 - 7.1.2 poultry dressing plants (accredited and locally registered)
 - 7.1.3 meat processing plants
 - 7.1.4 wet markets
 - 7.1.5 flea markets (talipapa)
 - 7.1.6 bagsakan centers
 - 7.1.7 rolling stores
 - 7.1.8 meat shops/stalls
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- 7.1.10 ambulant meat stalls/vendors/peddlers
- 7.1.11 supermarkets and grocery stores
- 7.1.12 restaurants, canteens and eateries
- 7.1.13 catering services
- 7.1.14 meat handlers
- 7.1.15 other channels where meat and meat products are slaughtered, prepared, handled, processed, packed, stored and distributed.
- 7.2 The following items shall be the subject of regulation of this Ordinance
 - 7.2.1 Carcasses, offals, meat and meat products found to have come from an unregistered meat establishment and has not undergone the required inspection, otherwise known as "hot meat"
 - 7.2.2 Processed meat products, chilled, frozen or canned, manufactured by either accredited meat establishment or locally registered meat establishment, but found to be unfit for human consumption.
 - 7.2.3 Imported meat and meat products, whether chilled, frozen, or canned but found to be unfit for human consumption.
 - 7.2.4 Meat and meat products:
 - (a) from an unaccredited or banned country.
 - (b) that are imitations of registered local or imported brands.
 - (c) without accompanying valid documents, such as Meat and Meat Products Inspection Certificate (MMPIC) or Certificate of Meat Inspection (COMI) for imported meat and meat products, whether from accredited(local or foreign) or locally registered meat establishment.

Section 8. INFORMATION CAMPAIGN Conduct regular visit and inspection in component cities and municipalities of the province to fully understand the problems and conditions of the meat inspection services thereat.

Section 9. FINES AND PENALTY. Upon confiscation of hot meat and double dead meat (botcha)

The Provincial Meat Inspection Service shall charge fines accordingly:

- 1st offense 5,000 Php
- 2nd offense 5,000 Php with 6 months suspension of business permit and 3 months imprisonment
- 3rd offense 5,000 Php and permanent suspension of business permit and 6 months imprisonment

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50% of the fines that will be collected will go to the Provincial Government and 50% will go to the municipality wherein the confiscation of illegal items took place.

Section 11. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 12. REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances, rules, and regulations inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed and/ or modified accordingly.

Section 13. EFFECTIVITY. This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of local circulation.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance duly enacted by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cavite during its 21st Regular Session on November 25, 2013.

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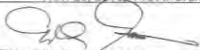
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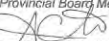
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