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To: House Committee on Health
Rep. Josh Green, M.D. Chair / Rep. John Mizuno, Vice Chair

By: Richard C. Botti, Pres. or Lauren Zirbel, Government Affairs

Re: SB 2804, SD1 RELATING TO PRE-PACKAGED MEAT

Chairs and Committee Members:

We oppose this message because it involves interstate commerce and the free movement of products that come under federal jurisdiction.

While the measure may be aimed at certain red meats, it may also cover processed meats ranging from hot dogs to luncheon meats.

If the measure were to become law, it would require the state to challenge the authority of the federal government, and if there were attempts to enforce the law anyway, the ramifications could be very broad, with hundreds if not thousands of products being removed from store shelves.

THE TESTIMONY: