

SENATE BILL 513:

North Carolina Farm Act of 2015, Sec. 31: Limit the Personally Identifying Information that the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services May Disclose About Its Animal Health Programs

Committee: Date:

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SUMMARY: Sec. 31 of S.L. 2015-264 makes a conforming change to clarify that all USDA-generated information received by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS) that is confidential under federal law must be held confidential. This section also provides that all information collected by DACS from farm owners or animal owners, including laboratory reports received or generated from samples submitted for analysis, that may be used to identify an individual or business subject to regulation by DACS may not be disclosed without the permission of the owner, unless necessary to prevent the spread of animal disease or implement animal health programs.

This section became effective September 30, 2015.

