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NOTES from the DEPARTMENT

DOAG 2012 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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HB 5326, AN ACT ENCOURAGING THE PURCHASE OF FOOD PRODUCTS GROWN OR MADE IN CONNECTICUT, effective upon passage.

There is established a task force to examine and investigate methods and incentives to encourage consumers to purchase food products that have traceable points of origin in the state of Connecticut. The task force shall consist of the following members:

- (1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
- (2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives;
- (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives;
- (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;
- (7) One appointed by the governor;
- (8) The commissioner of Agriculture, or the commissioner's designee;
- (9) The commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or the commissioner's designee;
- (10) A representative of the Connecticut Food Association, who shall be appointed by speaker of the House of Representatives; and
- (11) A representative of the Connecticut Food Policy Council, who shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate.

Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member of the General Assembly.

All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.

The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force, from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section. The administrative staff of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Consumer Protection shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

Not later than January 1, 2013, the task force shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Consumer Protection, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or January 1, 2013, whichever is later.

H.B. 5258, AN ACT PERMITTING THE POSSESSION OF REINDEER YEAR ROUND, effective July 1, 2012.

This bill requires the agriculture commissioner, by September 1, 2013, to adopt regulations in consultation and agreement with the energy and environmental protection (DEEP) commissioner, to allow in-state captive herds of cervids (i.e. deer), including reindeer. The bill requires the agriculture commissioner, by November 1, 2012, to implement a pilot program under which he issues two permits that allow up to two Connecticut businesses to have up to five reindeer each. Each reindeer must have an importation permit issued by the agriculture commissioner in consultation with the DEEP commissioner. The importation permits must be on forms the agriculture commissioner provides and are contingent on requirements he determines, including the source of the reindeer, any required health certification, fencing and containment requirements, periodic inspections, and testing.

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WHOLESALE LETTUCE SHIPPED IN

	Low	High
BOSTON,24,NJ	12.00	14.00
ICEBERG,24,CA	20.00	23.00
LEAF,Gr,24,NJ	14.00	14.00
LEAF,Rd,24,NJ	14.00	16.00
LOLLA ROSSA,2.5lb crtn	10.00	12.00
MESCLUN,3lb,CA	5.50	8.00
OAK LF,Gr,2.2lb crtn,CA	10.00	12.00
OAK LF,Rd,2.2lb crtn,CA	10.00	12.00
ROMAINE,24,CA	17.00	19.00
ROMAINE,24,NJ	14.00	15.00

NEW HOLLAND, PA, HOG AUCTION

May 28, 2012

Hogs sold by actual weights, prices quoted by hundred weight.

49-54	220-270 lbs	63.00-66.00
	220-300 lbs	60.00-62.00
	300-400lbs	n/a
Sows: US 1-3	300-500 lbs	42.00-46.00
	500-700 lbs	n/a
45-49	500-700lbs	51.00-52.00
Boars:	300-700 lbs	26.50-26.50

MIDDLESEX LIVESTOCK AUCTION

Middlefield, May 28, 2012

Live animals brought the following ave. prices per cwt.

	Low	High
Bob Calves:		
45-60 lbs.	42.00	62.00
61-75 lbs.	125.00	140.00
76-90 lbs.	170.00	175.00
91-105 lbs.	180.00	185.00
106 lbs. & up	190.00	195.00
Farm Calves	210.00	215.00
Starter Calves	65.00	70.00
Veal Calves	95.00	137.50
Open Heifers	119.00	122.50
Beef Heifers	83.00	89.00
Beef Steers	84.00	113.00
Feeder Steers	80.00	105.00
Stock Bulls	100.00	130.00
Beef Bulls	94.00	130.00
Boars	n/a	n/a
Sows	35.00	39.00
Butcher Hogs	n/a	n/a
Goats each	40.00	220.00
Kid Goats	10.00	45.00
Canners	Up to	81.50
Cutters	82.00	85.00
Utility Grade Cows	86.00	91.00
Rabbits each	4.00	17.00
Chickens each	3.00	41.00
Ducks each	4.00	16.00
Feeder Pigs	65.00	75.00
Lambs	110.00	230.00
Sheep	100.00	125.00



WHOLESALE VEGETABLES NEW ENGLAND GROWN

	Low	High
APPLE,Mac,100ct,fcy	19.00	19.00
CHIVES,12s	8.00	8.00
CIDER,9-1/2gal	18.00	18.00
FIDDLEHEAD,10lb	35.00	35.00
LETTUCE,Bstn,12/4oz	14.00	16.00
POTATO,10lb	3.00	3.00
RHUBARB 20lb	24.00	28.00
STRAWBERRIES,8/1qt	26.00	28.00
TOMATO,Chrry,5lb flat	14.00	14.00
TOMATO,Grnhs,25lb,lg	14.00	16.00

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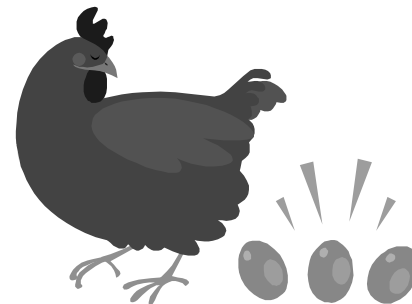
	Low	High
APRICOTS,80ct,CA	30.00	32.00
ARUGULA,4/5bu,NJ	12.00	14.00
ASPARAGUS,28lb,lg,NJ	50.00	60.00
BEANS,Grn,bu,FL	16.00	18.00
BEETS,12s,NJ	14.00	15.00
BLUEBERRY12/1pt, GA	26.00	28.00
CHERRIES,10rw,CA	65.00	80.00
CILANTRO,24,NJ	10.00	12.00
COLLARDS,12-16s,NJ	12.00	12.00
DANDELION GRN,bu,NJ	14.00	15.00
DILL,24,NJ	24.00	26.00
ESCAROLE,1-1/9bu,NJ	12.00	14.00
GRAPES, Flme,18lb,CA	45.00	46.00
KALE,24s,SC	16.00	18.00
LEEKs,12s,NJ	14.00	17.00
NECTARINES 2lyr,CA	28.00	28.00
ONION,Vdlia,40lb,GA	19.00	20.00
PEACHES,1/2bu,2-1/2,GA	25.00	26.00
PEAS,English,bu,GA	50.00	50.00
PEAS, Snp,10lb,GU	18.00	21.00
SPINACH,1.3bu,NJ	13.00	14.00

(Boston Terminal and wholesale grower prices)

NEW HOLLAND LIVESTOCK AUCTION

May 28, 2012

	Bulk/	High/	Low Dressing
SLAUGHTER COWS:			
Breakers	75-80%lean		
	88.00-92.00	92.00-95.00	82.00-87.00
Boners	80-85% lean		
	85.00-88.00.00	89.00-92.00	n/a
Lean	88-90% lean		
	79.50-83.50	85.00-86.00	72.00-78.00
CALVES: All prices per cwt.			
Graded Bull Calves: Number 1			
	95-115lbs	220.00-240.00	
	80-90lbs	240.00-260.00	
	Number 2	100-105lbs	190.00-210.00
	Number 3	100-125lbs	130.00-170.00
Holstein Heifers: Number 1			
	95-100 lbs	200.00-210.00	
Slaughter Bulls-900-1850lbs-100.00-108.00			
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Non-Traditional Markets:			
Woolled & Shorn Choice and Prime 2-3			
	40-60lbs	202.00-222.00	
	60-80lbs	192.00-214.00	
	80-90lbs	197.00-204.00	
	90-110lbs	191.00-215.00	



WEEKLY NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS

Prices paid per dozen. Grade A brown egg in carton delivered store door. (Range)

XTRA LARGE	132-145
LARGE	122-135
MEDIUM	98-108

NORTHEAST EGG PRICES USDA

May 25, 2012

Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, warehouse, centers per dozen. (Range)

EXTRA LARGE	105-109
LARGE	103-107
MEDIUM	75-79

PENNSYLVANIA GRAIN REPORT

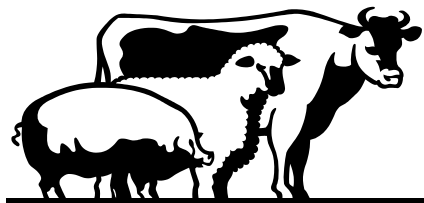
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Grain market for eastern Pennsylvania.

Corn, No.2, bu.	6.60-7.05
Ear Corn, ton	185-190
Soybeans, No.2, bu.	13.30-13.83



110-130lbs	172.00-190.00
150-200lbs	124.00-143.00
Woolled & Shorn Choice 2-3	
40-60lbs	177.00-210.00
60-80lbs	170.00-188.00
80-90lbs	172.00-186.00
90-110lbs	168.00-188.00
SLAUGHTER EWES: Good 2-3: Med. Flesh	
100-150lbs	84.00-100.00
150-200lbs	70.00-82.00
200-300lbs	52.00-68.00.
Utility 1-2: Thin Flesh	
100-150lbs	58.00-70.00
160-200lbs	60.00-68.00
SLAUGHTER GOATS: All goats are Selection 1, sold by the head, on est. weights.	
30-40lbs	102.00-112.00
40-60lbs	128.00-160.00
60-80lbs	152.00-196.00
80-90lbs	170.00-182.00
100-120lbs	184.00-202.00
Nannies/Does: 80-130 lbs	160.00-178.00
130-180lbs	185.00-197.00
Bucks/Billies: 100-150lbs	245.00-257.00
150-250lbs	222.00-246.00



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The pilot program remains in effect until regulations are adopted. Current law allows anyone to import reindeer into the state between Thanksgiving Day and New Year's Day if they are (1) individually identified, (2) certified to be in good health, and (3) exported from the state by January 8. The bill specifies that current law remains in place until regulations are adopted.

REGULATIONS

The required regulations must include standards and procedures for protecting native wildlife and provisions for:

1. issuing permits for importing, exporting, and maintaining captive herds;
2. seasonal interstate transport and possession of reindeer pursuant to the pilot program (but the pilot program ends when the regulations are adopted) until domestic herds are sufficiently established to meet demand; and
3. inspections and enforcements. The bill requires that any importation permit be issued by the agriculture commissioner in consultation with the DEEP commissioner.

s.H.B. 5263, *AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR POACHING*, effective October 1, 2012.

By law, a person who enters or remains in any premises to hunt, trap, or fish, although the person knows he or she is not licensed or privileged to do so, is guilty of 3rd degree criminal trespass. This bill increases the penalty for this offense, making it a Class B misdemeanor punishable by up to six months imprisonment, a fine of between \$500 and \$1,000, or both. Under current law, it is a Class C misdemeanor punishable by up to three months imprisonment, up to a \$500 fine, or both.

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s.H.B. 5447, *AN ACT CONCERNING AQUATIC ANIMALS AS FOOD AND THE TAKING OF SCALLOPS FROM THE NIAN TIC RIVER*, effective July 1, 2012, except for the provision requiring the agriculture commissioner to adopt regulations, which is effective October 1, 2012.

This bill requires the agriculture commissioner to adopt regulations for licensing and inspecting aquaculture facilities that cultivate, process, and supply aquatic animals for human consumption. The bill increases, from 2 to 2-1/2 inches, the minimum size of scallops that a person can take from the Niantic River. It allows the Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission to increase or decrease the daily limit of scallops a person can take, rather than just increase it. The bill also makes technical changes.

REGULATIONS REGARDING AQUACULTURE FACILITIES

The bill requires the commissioner's regulations to promote compliance with principles, practices, and generally recognized standards that protect public health. The regulations must include:

1. (a) minimum qualifications for aquaculture facilities and (b) license application and renewal procedures;
2. processing and inspection standards for aquaculture facilities, including compliance with federal law;
3. designating compliant facilities as an "approved food source" for households, restaurants, hotels, and other residential facilities; and
4. the commissioner's oversight of aquaculture facilities.

Under the bill, "aquaculture" is the controlled rearing, cultivating, and harvesting of aquatic animals in land- or marine-based culture systems, tanks, containers, impoundments, floating or submerged nets or pens, and ponds. "Aquatic animals" are fresh or saltwater finfish, crustaceans, and other aquatic life forms, including alligator, frog, turtle, jellyfish, sea cucumber, sea urchins, their roe, and mollusks, that are intended for human consumption.

NIAN TIC RIVER SCALLOPS

By law, the Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission may regulate the taking of scallops, clams, and oysters from the Niantic River. Current law prohibits taking (1) any scallop that passes through a 2-inch ring, or (2) more than three bushels of scallops a day. But the commission may increase the daily limit after it has been in place for 30 days. The bill instead prohibits taking any scallop that passes through a 2-1/2-inch ring, thereby increasing the minimum size of scallops that a person may take. It maintains the three-bushel limit, but the commission may increase or decrease it after 30 days.

By law, a violator is subject to a fine of up to \$200, imprisonment of up to 10 days, or both. Upon conviction, the court may order that the violator cannot hold a permit or license to take shellfish in the Niantic River until the second season following the conviction.

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