

National Association of State Departments of Agriculture



Subject of Action Item B:

Support for Appropriate Funding for State Meat Inspection Programs

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Corresponding Policy Section & Statement:

4.3 Roles & Responsibilities

State Meat Inspection Programs

Text of Action Item:

NASDA urges USDA and Congress to appropriately fund state meat inspection programs to ensure a healthy and robust food supply. As such, NASDA shall:

- 1) Advocate to Congress for a language change in the Farm Bill to require USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) to provide states with at least a full 50 % funding match, to ensure viability of state meat inspection programs under the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Poultry Products Inspection Act.
- 2) Advocate to Congress for an increase in appropriations to FSIS to enable the agency to adequately fund state programs.

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