

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SHB 2628

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Modifying prohibitions on colostrum milk.

**Sponsors:** By House Committee on Agriculture & Ecology (originally sponsored by Representatives Linville and G. Chandler).

**House Committee on Agriculture & Ecology**  
**Senate Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development**

**Background:**

It is unlawful to sell or deliver colostrum milk for consumption by humans. However, an exemption from this prohibition is provided for colostrum milk from cows made available to persons with multiple sclerosis. Colostrum milk may be sold or delivered for this purpose if the initial sale is accompanied by a form signed by a physician certifying that the intended user has multiple sclerosis and that the user releases the provider of the milk from liability resulting from the consumption of the milk. The colostrum milk provided for this purpose is exempt from meeting the standards for grade A raw milk but must be from a cow that was tested for brucellosis within 60 days of calving.

**Summary of Bill:**

Colostrum milk may be sold or delivered for processing by a licensed food processor or a milk processing plant as a nutritional supplement in accordance with the federal Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act, and the product of the processing also may be sold. The colostrum milk used for this purpose is exempt from meeting standards for grade A raw milk but must be pasteurized or otherwise treated to kill harmful organisms.

Colostrum milk used for multiple sclerosis need no longer come from brucellosis-tested cows, but the colostrum milk used for either multiple sclerosis or for processing as a nutritional supplement must come from a licensed dairy producer.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

House 85 12  
Senate 43 1

**Effective:** June 8, 2000