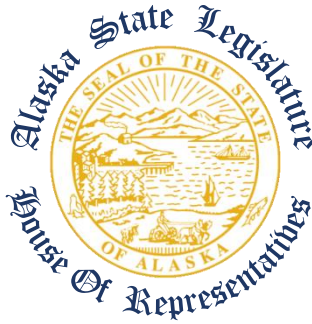


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Sponsor Statement

"An Act exempting certain foods and drinks prepared in a person's uninspected home kitchen from state labeling, licensing, packaging, permitting, and inspection requirements; and permitting a person to acquire meat from a producer by way of an ownership share in an animal if certain conditions are met."

House Bill 251 will help promote food security in Alaska. Alaska's food supply is fragile, with the overwhelming majority having to be imported from out of State. Currently there is a huge lack of homegrown food industries which creates a strain on local communities across the State.

HB 251 would allow a producer to sell homegrown and/or farmed local food products to an informed end consumer and allow consumers to purchase meat if it complies with the animal share agreements, directly from ranchers.

Passing HB 251 will help put food on the tables of Alaskans and help increase our food security here in Alaska.

If you have additional questions, please contact Ryan McKee in my office at 907-465-4859.