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Bill Analysis

SB 922 creates the Commercial Game Fowl Breeders Act. The measure directs the State Board of Agriculture to establish standards of care, reasonable and necessary fees, and regulations relating to licensure. No person may act, offer to act, or hold himself or herself out as a commercial game fowl breeder unless such a person is licensed. The measure directs the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry to contract with local veterinarians for the purpose of conducting an initial licensing inspection and annual inspections. The Department must first inspect the property of an applicant before granting a license. Licensees shall be subject to an annual inspection and must obtain a license for each facility they operate and maintain health records for each facility. Game fowl breeders shall be required to display their license. Any person convicted of animal cruelty, violating the provisions of this measure more than 3 times, and certain felonies shall be prohibited from obtaining a license and shall be subject to license revocation. The measure establishes a fine of \$100.00-\$10,000.00 for violating the provisions of this measure and provides that no person may be fined more than \$10,000.00 per year. The measure establishes a maximum fine of \$1,000.00 for interfering with an inspection or falsifying records and a maximum fine of \$500.00 for offenses relating to falsifying records to obtain licensure or trading a fowl to another person who is not licensed.

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