

Judgment on poultry meat regulations welcomed

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Minister Senzeni Zokwana has welcomed the judgment in the case brought by the South Africa Poultry Association (SAPA) against poultry meat regulations.



© serezhniy – 123RF.com

North Gauteng High Court Judge HJ Fabricus dismissed the application made by SAPA with costs. SAPA brought the case to the North Gauteng High Court, where it contested that the amended poultry meat regulations, published on 22 April 2016, were unlawful and irrational.

The contested amendments relate to the cap of total brine injection of 10% and 15% for a whole carcass and individual quick portions, respectively.

In terms of the amended notice of motion, SAPA sought an order reviewing and setting aside the amended poultry meat regulations. Furthermore, an order was sought suspending the implementation of the regulations until eight weeks after the grant of an order in the review application.

Minister Zokwana said the judgment confirms that the interests of consumers and the need to advance fair trade practices is paramount.

“Indeed, this judgment advances fair competition between producers and traders of poultry meat products,” said Minister Zokwana.

For more, visit: <https://www.bizcommunity.com>