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S 898. PRODUCTION AND SALE OF DOMESTICATED RABBIT. *TO AUTHORIZE THE PRODUCTION AND SALE OF DOMESTICATED RABBIT.* Creates a new Art. 49l of Ch. 106 to authorize the Dep't of Agriculture and Consumer Services to regulate the production and sale of domesticated rabbits for food purposes. Authorizes the NC Wildlife Resources Comm'n to regulate possession and transportation of rabbits and to adopt rules to prevent the escape or release of rabbits if necessary to protect live domesticated rabbits or to prevent damage to the native rabbit population or its habitat. Domesticated rabbit is defined as one that is raised for the purpose of resale as a meat product for human consumption. Amends various statutes to provide for inspection and otherwise implement the bill.

Intro. by Webster.

Ref. to	GS 106, 113
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