NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** ALBANIA  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** Animal by-products and derived products |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[X] All trading partners**  **[ ] Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Draft Law "On Animal by-Products". **Language(s):** Albanian. **Number of pages:** 35  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/ALB/24_05701_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The object of this law is the determination of public health and animal health rules for animal by-products and derived products.  The aim is to prevent and minimize risks to public and animal health arising from these products, and in particular to protect the safety of the food chain and foodstuffs.   1. This law applies to: 2. by-products of animal origin and derivative products produced from their processing which are excluded from human consumption according to the legislation; 3. the following products, which after the irrevocable decision taken by the food business operator are no longer used as human food. These products are: 4. products of animal origin that were intended for human consumption according to the requirements of food legislation; 5. raw materials for the production of foods of animal origin.   This Draft Law is approximated with Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 laying down health rules as regards animal by-products and derived products not intended for human consumption and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002 (Animal by-products Regulation). |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[ ] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  **[ ] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[X] None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[ ] Yes [ ] No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 6 January 2025  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 5 January 2026 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 5 January 2026  **[ ] Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 27 October 2024  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development  General Directorate in the Field of Food Safety, Veterinary, Plant Protection and Fishery  Tel: +(355) 4 2226 911  E-mail: [info@bujqesia.gov.al](mailto:info@bujqesia.gov.al)  Website: <http://www.bujqesia.gov.al> |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development  General Directorate in the Field of Food Safety, Veterinary, Plant Protection and Fishery  SPS Enquiry Point - Albania  Tel: +(355) 4 2226 911  E-mail: [blerina.luke@bujqesia.gov.al](mailto:blerina.luke@bujqesia.gov.al)  Website: <http://www.bujqesia.gov.al> |