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**INFORMATION**

**Updates of the Importation of Livestock and/or Animal Products for Private Importers and Expand the Importer's Zone from February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

Indonesia's President, Joko Widodo, has issued a Government Regulation of the Republic of Indonesia No. 11 Year 2022 concerning Importation of Livestock and/or Animal Products in Certain Cases Originating from a Country or Zone in a Country of Origin. In the new regulation, the government states to give control to private importers to carry out animal products import activities directly and expand the importer's zone from February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

There are several updates regarding the importation of livestock and/or animal products, according to this new regulation as follow:

1. Import Activities Performed by Private Importers

The private sector as a business actor other than State-Owned Enterprises (BUMN) in importing animal products must have:

- a. A business license issued by The Minister in accordance with the provisions of the legislation, if the Commodity Balance is not yet available; and
- b. A business license issued by The Minister who organizes government affairs in the trade sector in accordance with the provisions of the legislation.

2. Expansion of the Importer Zone

Previously, import activities could only be carried out to conventional countries which have been routine suppliers. Through the new regulations, Indonesia can carry out import activities to non- conventional countries as well. This allows business actors to sort out prices according to their cost capabilities, thereby minimizing the scarcity of animal products which is often a problem.

This importer zone expansion can be reached by:

- a. Make a proposal to increase the number/allocation of product entry animals to The Minister who organizes coordination, synchronization, and control of affairs ministries in the administration of government in the economy
- b. Furthermore, it will be discussed in a coordination meeting attended by Ministers/Heads of Non-Ministerial Government Agencies or Officials appointed to represent those given the authority for and on behalf of The Minister/Head of Non-Ministerial Government Agency, and stipulated in the Commodity Balance.

This regulation update is a part of the government's efforts to provide opportunities for private importers but still by implementing several requirements that have been set by State-Owned Enterprises (BUMN). The enactment of Government Regulation of the Republic of Indonesia No. 11 Year 2022, the Government Regulation Number 4 Year 2016 is **revoked and declared invalid** because it was no longer in accordance with the development and needs of the community.

For your reference, please check Government Regulation of the Republic of Indonesia No. 11 Year 2022 concerning Importation of Livestock and/or Animal Products in Certain Cases Originating from a Country or Region in the Country of Origin in Bahasa Indonesia and English translation in the link [here](#).

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