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S. 3832

To ensure greater food safety without creating new or unneeded government bureaucracy.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 23, 2010

Mr. COBURN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Ensuring Greater Food
5 Safety Act of 2010”.

6 **SEC. 2. ENSURING FEDERAL AGENCIES EFFECTIVELY COM-**
7 **MUNICATE TO ENSURE GREATER FOOD SAFE-**
8 **TY.**

9 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
10 Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the U.S. De-

1 partment of Agriculture (USDA) shall establish a plan no
2 later than sixty days after the enactment of this Act to
3 ensure effective information sharing regarding the regula-
4 tion and inspection of food products and facilities, includ-
5 ing violations, in which the FDA and USDA share joint,
6 overlapping or similar responsibility.

7 (b) Within one year of enactment the FDA and
8 USDA shall issue a joint report to Congress summarizing
9 the effectiveness or lack of effectiveness of this new infor-
10 mation sharing arrangement.

11 (c) The Government Accountability Office shall issue
12 a report to Congress within six months of the report re-
13 quired by paragraph (b) to determine if any inefficiencies
14 or other challenges remain regarding the sharing of infor-
15 mation required by paragraph (a).

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