# COMPLIANCE SECTION CONSUMER SAFETY BRANCH



## **DSHS FOODS GROUP**



## FISCAL YEAR 2024 ANNUAL ANALYSIS FINAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Pursuant to 25 Texas Administrative Code 1.553(a)(1)(2)

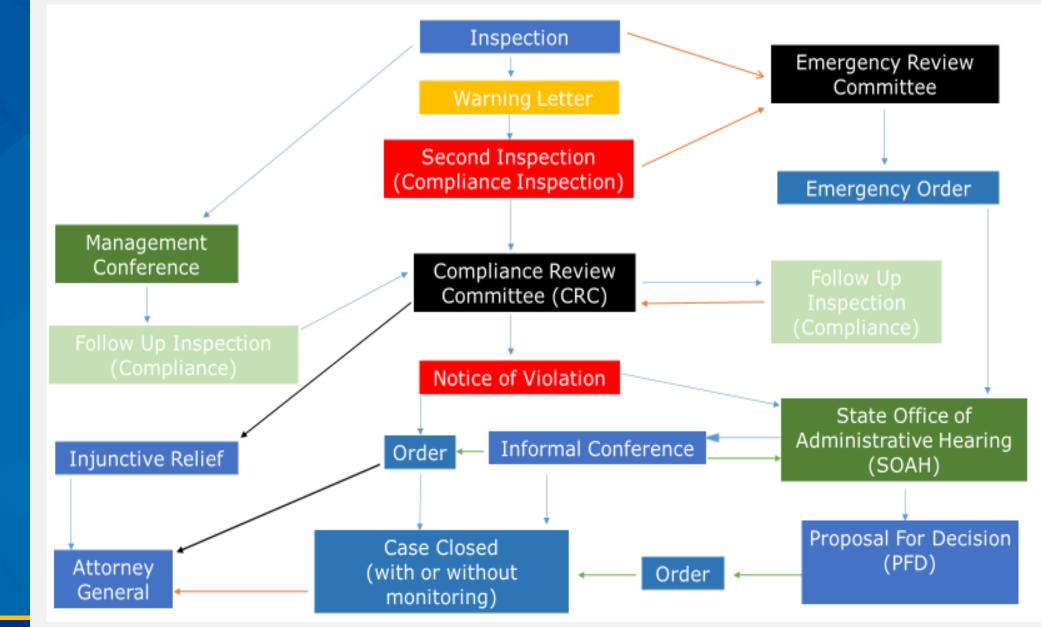
### **Examples of Food Operators**

Examples include but are not limited to the following food operations

- Bakeries
- Bottling/Canning plants producing sauces, salsa, condiments, jams, jellies, canned vegetables and fruit
- Bottling/Canning plants producing water, soft drinks, fruit juice, vegetable juice
- Dietary supplement manufacturing and distributing
- Grocery stores with meat markets, delicatessens, or bakeries that package and display food for retail customer self-service
- Ice bagging or wholesaling
- Ice plants
- Juice packaging
- Packaging cut produce/vegetables, shelling and packaging nuts, and firms washing/packaging produce in a separate location from the farm where it was grown
- Restaurants and other food service operations providing food packaged on-site via a retail customer self-service display
- Seafood processors
- Water vending/bottling
- Wineries
- Breweries



#### **Foods Group Compliance Flowchart**





#### **Cases referred to Compliance**

- Thirty-eight (38) cases were referred in total:
  - Twenty four (24) cases were triaged through Compliance Review Committee (CRC)
  - Fourteen (14) cases were license only cases that required no Compliance Review Committee (CRC)

CRC	24
License Only	14
Total	38





After triage at CRC:

- Thirty-seven (37) Notice of Violation (NOV) letters were cleared to be issued
- Two (2) cases were referred to the Attorney General



Texas Department of State Health Services • One (1) case <u>was</u> returned to program

## Informal Conference (IC)

Two (2) cases were held at an IC:

• Two (2) cases were settled after the IC



#### **State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH)**

- ✤ One (1) case was referred to SOAH.
- All Respondents were offered the opportunity to have their case(s) presented before an Administrative Law Judge.

#### SOAH REFERRAL 1

#### **Orders & Agreements Processed**

- 24 Agreed Orders/ Acceptance Orders (AO)
  - An Agreed Order is issued after an informal conference, to document and memorialize the settlement agreement reached between a Respondent and the Department.
  - An Acceptance Order is issued when a Respondent accepts the proposed disciplinary action in the Department's Notice.
- 4 Attorney General (AG) Referrals
  - 4 cases were referred to the AG for further administrative and/or judicial remedies on Respondents who failed to and/or refuse to comply with a final order.



### **Cases Closed With or Without Monitoring**

Cases that have a finalized Order or an Agreement are either:

- Six (6) cases were closed with monitoring
  - Terms and conditions to be met are still pending
- Twenty-two (22) cases were closed without monitoring
  - All terms and conditions are met

#### **Grand Total Fine Amount Collected**

#### \$27,694.96



For more information regarding Compliance Consumer Safety policies and protocols, please click on the link below:

**Compliance Section - Consumer\_Safety\_Branch\_Procedure\_Manual.pdf - All Documents (sharepoint.com)** 



# Thank You

