

WORKING DRAFT

SENATE FILE NO. _____

Livestock dealer registration.

Sponsored by: Joint Agriculture, Public Lands and Water
Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to agriculture and animals; providing for
2 the registration of livestock dealers; providing for
3 enforcement; and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 11-22-118 is created to read:

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9 **11-22-118. Registration of livestock dealers;**
10 **records.**

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12 (a) Livestock dealers shall be registered with the
13 board. Registration shall include the livestock dealer's
14 address, phone number and premise identification number of
15 their place of business if available.

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2 (b) A livestock dealer shall maintain records as
3 required by the board.

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5 (c) After giving due notice and opportunity for
6 hearing, the board shall have the authority to deny an
7 application for registration or to suspend or cancel the
8 registration of a livestock dealer if:

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10 (i) There is adequate evidence to establish the
11 livestock dealer had intent to violate or circumvent the
12 record keeping requirements of this section or other animal
13 health regulations; or

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15 (ii) The livestock dealer has repeatedly
16 demonstrated an unwillingness to keep records as required
17 by the board.

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19 **Section 2.** W.S. 11-1-103 and 11-22-101(a) by creating
20 new paragraphs (iv) and (v) and by amending and renumbering
21 paragraph (iv) as (vi) are amended to read:

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23 **11-1-103. Penalty for violations.**

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1 A person who violates any of the following sections commits
2 a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than
3 six (6) months, a fine of not more than seven hundred fifty
4 dollars (\$750.00), or both for the first offense, or by
5 imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, a fine of not
6 more than one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), or
7 both for second or subsequent offenses: W.S. 11-6-210(a) or
8 (f), 11-18-112, 11-19-101, 11-19-102, 11-19-111, 11-19-401,
9 11-20-114, 11-20-117, 11-20-229, 11-21-104, ~~11-22-118~~
10 11-22-119, 11-23-106, 11-23-207, 11-24-106 and 11-30-114. A
11 person who violates board rules promulgated pursuant to
12 W.S. 11-18-103(a)(v) shall be subject to the penalties
13 specified in this section.

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15 **11-22-101. Definitions; exceptions to provisions.**

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17 (a) As used in this act:

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19 (iv) "Livestock dealer" means:

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21 (A) Any person engaged in the business of
22 buying or selling livestock in commerce, either for his own
23 account or as an employee or agent of the seller or buyer;

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(B) Any person who engages in the business of buying or selling livestock in commerce on a commission basis.

(v) "Livestock dealer" does not include any person who buys or sells livestock as part of his own bona fide breeding, feeding, dairy, meat or wool production operation.

~~(iv)~~(vi) "This act" means W.S. 11-22-101 through ~~11-22-118~~11-22-119.

Section 3. W.S. 11-22-118 is amended and renumbered as 11-22-119 to read:

~~11-22-118~~11-22-119. **Penalty.**

Any person who violates W.S. 11-22-101 through ~~11-22-117~~11-22-118 or any rule or regulation adopted by the board pursuant to this act shall be punished as provided in W.S. 11-1-103.

Section 4. W.S. 11-22-101(a)(iii)(B) is repealed.

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2 **Section 5.** This act is effective immediately upon
3 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
4 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
5 Constitution.

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