

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0155

Animal shares.

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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to agriculture and livestock; specifying
2 requirements for distribution of meat pursuant to ownership
3 of an animal share; providing definitions; and providing
4 for an effective date.

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

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 11-49-104 is created to read:

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10 **11-49-104. Animal shares.**

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1 (a) The acquisition of meat from animals by an
2 informed end consumer shall not constitute the sale of meat
3 products in contravention of this act and shall not be
4 prohibited if all of the following conditions are met:

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6 (i) The meat is delivered pursuant to an animal
7 share and is:

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9 (A) Received from the farm or ranch where
10 an animal or herd subject to the animal share is located;

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12 (B) Received by or on behalf of an owner of
13 an animal share;

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15 (C) Obtained from the particular animal or
16 herd subject to the animal share.

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18 (ii) Ownership of each animal is established
19 prior to slaughter;

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21 (iii) A prominent warning statement that the
22 meat has not been inspected is delivered to the informed

1 end consumer with the meat or is displayed on a label
2 affixed to the meat packaging;

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4 (iv) Information describing the standards used
5 by the farm or ranch with respect to herd health, and in
6 the processing of meat from the herd, is provided to the
7 informed end consumer by the farmer or rancher.

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9 (b) No person who obtains meat in accordance with
10 this section shall sell, donate or commercially
11 redistribute the meat.

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13 (c) No farmer or rancher shall publish any statement
14 that implies the department of agriculture's approval or
15 endorsement of meat delivered pursuant to an animal share.

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17 **Section 2.** W.S. 11-49-102(a) by creating a new
18 paragraph (ix) and by amending and renumbering (ix) as (x)
19 and 11-49-103(c)(v) by creating a new subparagraph (F) are
20 amended to read:

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22 **11-49-102. Definitions.**

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1 (a) As used in this act:

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3 (ix) "Animal share" means an ownership interest
4 in an animal or herd of animals created by a written
5 contract between an informed end consumer and a farmer or
6 rancher that includes a bill of sale to the consumer for an
7 ownership interest in the animal or herd and a boarding
8 provision under which the consumer boards the animal or
9 herd with the farmer or rancher for care and processing and
10 the consumer is entitled to receive a share of meat from
11 the animal or herd;

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13 ~~(ix)~~(x) "This act" means W.S. 11-49-101 through
14 ~~11-49-103~~11-49-104.

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16 **11-49-103. Wyoming Food Freedom Act; purpose;**
17 **exemptions; assumption of risk.**

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19 (c) Transactions under this act shall:

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21 (v) Not involve the sale of meat products, with
22 the following exceptions:

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1 (F) The sale of meat pursuant to an animal
2 share under W.S. 11-49-104.

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4 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2020.

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