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SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5811

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By Senate Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senators Rasmussen, Schoesler, Shin, Morton, Hatfield, Kastama, Sheldon, Swecker, Hargrove and Jacobsen)

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1 AN ACT Relating to cattle identification programs; creating a new 2 section; and providing an expiration date.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. (1) The director of agriculture shall reactivate the cattle advisory committee convened under chapter 150, Laws of 2006, composed of the same representatives from the various segments of the cattle industry as the original committee. The scope of the cattle advisory committee's activities is limited to bovines and does not extend to other species of livestock.

10 (2) The cattle advisory committee shall complete its evaluation of the voluntary national animal identification program and the approaches 11 12 being taken by other states, and complete its evaluation of demonstration projects that the department of agriculture is conducting 13 at two or more facilities that handle large numbers of cattle. 14 The 15 cattle advisory committee shall make a recommendation on how the voluntary federal program for bovines should be implemented 16 in Washington that includes recommended funding amounts and sources. 17 In developing a funding proposal, the cattle advisory committee shall 18 19 consult with the office of financial management.

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1 (3) The department of agriculture shall submit a final written 2 report of the activities and recommendations of the cattle advisory 3 committee to appropriate committees of the house of representatives and 4 the senate by December 1, 2007.

5 (4) This section expires July 1, 2008.

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