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Brief Description: Clarifying accepted animal husbandry practices for laying hens.

**HB 2619 - DIGEST**

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Declares that an action that causes the death, at any one time, of three or more laying hens that constitutes three or more percent of the laying hens in a facility is not an accepted husbandry practice used in the commercial raising of poultry or products thereof and is not exempted from chapter 16.52 RCW.

Provides that, if the director finds evidence of such an excessive mortality rate as a result of one or more violations of this chapter, he or she shall record evidence of the violations and report the violations to the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the violation has occurred.