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By Representatives Schoesler, Linville, Holmquist, Grant and Sump

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1 AN ACT Relating to identifying livestock; and adding a new section  
2 to chapter 16.57 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 16.57 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 An effective livestock identification program is essential for  
7 tracking, from source to consumer, livestock and products made from  
8 livestock to protect the public health and to thwart any attempted  
9 bioterrorism. Such a program is also essential for the owners of  
10 livestock for verifying ownership, for recovering stolen animals, and  
11 for prosecuting theft.

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