
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2802

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By House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Schoesler, Linville, Romero, Grant, Shabro, Schual-Berke, Rockefeller, Flannigan, Alexander, Hudgins, Anderson, Ruderman, Sump, Murray, Boldt, Darneille, Clements, Dickerson, Newhouse, Hunt, Lantz, McDermott, Kenney, Haigh, Clibborn, Kristiansen, Holmquist, Quall, O'Brien, Eickmeyer, Woods, Buck, Bailey, Kessler, Simpson, G., Morrell, Wallace, Lovick, Edwards, Benson, Pearson, Nixon, Armstrong, Hinkle, Wood, Moeller, Ahern, Roach, Cooper, McCoy, Cody, Conway, Kagi, Ormsby, Skinner, McMorris, Campbell, Sullivan, Chase, Santos and Condotta)

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1 AN ACT Relating to penalties for trading in nonambulatory
2 livestock; adding a new section to chapter 16.52 RCW; prescribing
3 penalties; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 16.52 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) A person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor if he or she
8 knowingly transports or accepts delivery of live nonambulatory
9 livestock to, from, or between any livestock market, feedlot,
10 slaughtering facility, or similar facility that trades in livestock.
11 The transport or acceptance of each nonambulatory livestock animal is
12 considered a separate and distinct violation.

13 (2) Nonambulatory livestock must be humanely euthanized before
14 transport.

15 (3) For the purposes of this section, "nonambulatory livestock"
16 means cattle, sheep, swine, and goats and horses, mules, or other
17 equine that cannot rise from a recumbent position or cannot walk,
18 including but not limited to those with broken appendages, severed

1 tendons or ligaments, nerve paralysis, fractured vertebral column, or
2 metabolic conditions.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
4 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
5 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
6 immediately.

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