
SENATE BILL 6375

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By Senators Rasmussen, Schoesler, Jacobsen, Honeyford, Shin, Morton and Delvin

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

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The director of agriculture shall
5 convene an advisory committee composed of representatives from the
6 various segments of the livestock industry that will be involved in the
7 implementation of the state's component of the national animal
8 identification program for animal health and disease trace-back
9 purposes. The advisory committee shall be chaired by the director of
10 agriculture or the director's appointee. In making the appointments to
11 the advisory committee, the director shall consult with organizations
12 that represent the affected segments of the livestock industry. The
13 director may appoint additional members to the advisory committee as
14 deemed necessary.

15 (2) The advisory committee shall evaluate the requirements of the
16 federal program and examine approaches being taken by other states,
17 with an emphasis on neighboring states and the states that engage in
18 the largest amount of trade in livestock with Washington state. The
19 director may contract with a person to assemble information needed by

1 the advisory committee. The advisory committee shall develop a plan
2 for implementation that includes recommended funding amounts and
3 sources. In developing a funding proposal for the plan, the advisory
4 committee shall consult with the office of financial management.

5 (3) The advisory committee may provide interim reports as deemed
6 necessary by the director. A final report shall be submitted to the
7 house of representatives and to the senate by December 1, 2006.

8 (4) This section expires July 1, 2007.

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