

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Throughout the Texas Agriculture Code, the term “livestock” is used in more than 30 chapters. However, some chapters provide no definition of livestock, and in chapters where livestock is defined, the definitions vary. H.B. 1836 creates a uniform definition of livestock, applicable to all chapters of the Agriculture Code.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 1.003, Agriculture Code, by adding Subdivision (3) to define “livestock.”

SECTION 2. Amends Section 46.002, Agriculture Code, to redefine “Texas agricultural product.”

SECTION 3. Amends Section 148.011(a), Agriculture Code, to require a slaughterer to keep a record of all livestock, rather than cattle, horses, hogs, sheep, or goats, purchased or slaughtered, in accordance with this section.

SECTION 4. Amends Section 1.101(4), Parks and Wildlife Code, to redefine “wild.”

SECTION 5. Repealer:

Section 53.001(3) (defining “livestock”), Agriculture Code;  
Section 142.001(2) (defining “livestock”), Agriculture Code;  
Section 147.001(2) (defining “livestock”), Agriculture Code; and  
Section 161.001(a)(3) (defining “livestock”), Agriculture Code.

SECTION 6. Effective date: September 1, 2003.