By: Hardcastle, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Duncan) H.B. No. 1836 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 14, 2003; April 15, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources; May 7, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 7, 2003, sent to printer.) 1-1 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to the definition of livestock; providing a criminal 1-8 1-9 penalty.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 1.003, Agriculture Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (3) to read as follows:

(3) "Livestock" means cattle, horses, mules, asses, sheep, goats, and hogs, unless otherwise defined. SECTION 2. Section 46.002, Agriculture Code, is amended to

read as follows:

Sec. 46.002. DEFINITION. In this "Texas chapter agricultural product" means an agricultural, apicultural, horticultural, silvicultural, viticultural, or vegetable product, either in its natural or processed state, that has been produced, processed, or otherwise had value added to the product in this state, including:

(1) [equine species;

[(2)] feed for use by livestock or poultry;

fish or other aquatic species;

 $\frac{(2)}{(3)} \begin{bmatrix} (3) \\ (4) \end{bmatrix}$ livestock, a livestock product, or а livestock by-product;

(4) [(5)]planting seed;

<u>(5)</u> [(6)] poultry, a poultry product, or a poultry by-product; or

[(7)] wildlife processed for food or by-products. (6)

SECTION 3. Section 148.011(a), Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In accordance with this section, a slaughterer shall keep a record of all <u>livestock</u> [cattle, horses, hogs, sheep, or goats] purchased or slaughtered. Both the slaughterer and the person managing the slaughtering operations are responsible for maintaining records under this section. A person who owns or operates a locker plant and leases, rents, or furnishes space to others in that plant for profit shall keep records in accordance with this section as if that person were a slaughterer.

SECTION 4. Section 1.101(4), Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

"Wild," when used in reference to an animal, means 1-44 (4) 1-45 a species, including each individual of a species, that normally 1-46 lives in a state of nature and is not ordinarily domesticated. This definition does not include exotic livestock defined by Section 1-47 161.001(a)(4) [161.001(a)(3) and (4)], Agriculture Code. 1-48

SECTION 5. Sections 53.001(3), 142.001(2), 147.001(2), and 1-49 161.001(a)(3), Agriculture Code, are repealed. SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003. 1-50 1-51

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