

1-1 By: Aycock (Senate Sponsor - Estes) H.B. No. 205
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 14, 2009;
1-3 April 27, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Agriculture and Rural Affairs; May 7, 2009, reported favorably by
1-5 the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 7, 2009, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the applicability of certain city requirements
1-9 affecting the restraint of certain dogs on annexed or otherwise
1-10 acquired property used for agricultural operations.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Section 251.005, Agriculture Code, is amended by
1-13 adding Subsection (c-2) to read as follows:

1-14 (c-2) A governmental requirement of a city relating to the
1-15 restraint of a dog that would apply to an agricultural operation
1-16 under Subsection (c) does not apply to a dog used to protect
1-17 livestock on property controlled by the property owner while the
1-18 dog is being used on such property for that purpose.

1-19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-23 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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