

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, an owner of certain livestock is required to file brands, earmarks, tattoos, electronic devices, and other types of marks on those animals with the county clerk and to rerecord those marks every 10 years. This manual filing and rerecording process is time-consuming for a county clerk and may require additional labor in some counties.

H.B. 2108 amends current law relating to electronic filing and rerecording of livestock marks and brands by county clerks.

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 144.041, Agriculture Code, by adding Subsection (h), to authorize a county clerk to accept electronic filing or rerecording of an earmark, brand, tattoo, electronic device, or other type of mark for which a recording is required under this chapter or other law.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2011.