

1-1 By: Rodriguez S.B. No. 524
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 12, 2013;
1-3 February 20, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Agriculture, Rural Affairs, and Homeland Security; May 3, 2013,
1-5 reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the
1-6 following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 3, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>PNV</u>
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1-9	<u>Estes</u>	<u>X</u>		
1-10	<u>Uresti</u>	<u>X</u>		
1-11	<u>Hegar</u>	<u>X</u>		
1-12	<u>Hinojosa</u>	<u>X</u>		
1-13	<u>Schwertner</u>		<u>X</u>	

1-14 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 524 By: Uresti

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to a study regarding the prohibition of dairy farming in
1-18 certain areas of the state.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. (a) In this Act:

1-21 (1) "Commission" means the Texas Animal Health
1-22 Commission.

1-23 (2) "Department" means the Department of State Health
1-24 Services.

1-25 (b) The commission shall conduct a study regarding the
1-26 current risk level for bovine tuberculosis, as determined
1-27 epidemiologically and defined by rule of the commission, in areas
1-28 of this state determined by the commission by rule to be infected
1-29 with or at high risk for bovine tuberculosis.

1-30 (c) Not later than September 1, 2014, the commission shall
1-31 submit a report regarding the results of the study to the Department
1-32 of Agriculture, the governor, the lieutenant governor, the House
1-33 Committee on Agriculture and Livestock, the Senate Committee on
1-34 Agriculture, Rural Affairs, and Homeland Security, the House
1-35 Committee on Public Health, and the Senate Committee on Health and
1-36 Human Services. The report must include:

1-37 (1) to the extent possible, an assessment of the risk
1-38 level for bovine tuberculosis presented by areas in Mexico
1-39 bordering this state;

1-40 (2) to the extent possible, a description of the
1-41 efforts taken by the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural
1-42 Development, Fisheries and Food and other agencies of the United
1-43 Mexican States to eliminate bovine tuberculosis in the state of
1-44 Chihuahua and other areas;

1-45 (3) a description of the current practices adopted by
1-46 the United States Department of Agriculture and the commission to
1-47 eliminate bovine tuberculosis;

1-48 (4) an assessment of the risk level for bovine
1-49 tuberculosis for the state if dairy farming were to occur in areas
1-50 determined by the commission by rule to be infected with or at high
1-51 risk for bovine tuberculosis; and

1-52 (5) an assessment of whether the areas determined by
1-53 the commission by rule to be infected with or at high risk for
1-54 bovine tuberculosis could be decreased in size.

1-55 (d) As soon as practicable, the commission shall present the
1-56 report regarding the results of the study at an open meeting of the
1-57 commission.

1-58 (e) This Act expires October 1, 2014.

1-59 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-60 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

2-1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-3 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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