

By: Kacal

H.B. No. 2311

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2311:

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C.S.H.B. No. 2311

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the failure to handle certain animals in accordance
3 with rules of the Texas Animal Health Commission; amending
4 provisions subject to a criminal penalty.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 161.041(c), Agriculture Code, is amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (c) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly
9 fails to handle, in accordance with rules adopted by the
10 commission, livestock, exotic livestock, domestic fowl, or exotic
11 fowl:

12 (1) infected with a disease listed in Subsection (a);

13 (2) exposed, as defined by commission rule, to a
14 disease listed in Subsection (a) if the commission has notified the
15 person that the animal was exposed to the disease; or

16 (3) subject to a testing requirement due to a risk of
17 exposure, as defined by commission rule, to a specific disease if
18 the commission has notified the person of the testing requirement.

19 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
20 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
21 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
22 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
23 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
24 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the

1 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
2 before that date.

3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.