

1-1 By: Perry S.B. No. 970
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 5, 2015; March 10, 2015, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water, and
 1-4 Rural Affairs; March 30, 2015, reported adversely, with favorable
 1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0;
 1-6 March 30, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 970 By: Perry

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the failure to handle certain animals in accordance
 1-20 with rules of the Texas Animal Health Commission; amending
 1-21 provisions subject to a criminal penalty.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 161.041(c), Agriculture Code, is amended
 1-24 to read as follows:

1-25 (c) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly
 1-26 fails to handle, in accordance with rules adopted by the
 1-27 commission, livestock, exotic livestock, domestic fowl, or exotic
 1-28 fowl:

1-29 (1) infected with a disease listed in Subsection (a);

1-30 (2) exposed, as defined by commission rule, to a
 1-31 disease listed in Subsection (a) if the commission has notified the
 1-32 person that the animal was exposed to the disease; or

1-33 (3) subject to a testing requirement due to a risk of
 1-34 exposure, as defined by commission rule, to a specific disease if
 1-35 the commission has notified the person of the testing requirement.

1-36 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
 1-37 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
 1-38 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
 1-39 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
 1-40 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
 1-41 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
 1-42 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
 1-43 before that date.

1-44 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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