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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the period of time that a slaughterer must preserve the records pertaining to the purchase or slaughter of certain livestock.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 148.011(c), Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c)  The record must be prepared and made available to the Texas Animal Health Commission and for public inspection within 24 hours after the slaughterer receives the livestock. The slaughterer shall preserve the record for at least one year [~~two years~~] and shall keep the record open for public inspection at all reasonable hours.

SECTION 2.  Section 148.043(b), Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b)  A slaughterer shall preserve the [~~keep~~] records under this section for at least one year and shall keep the record open for public inspection at reasonable hours.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.