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H.B. No. 5068

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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