

ENGROSSED SENATE  
BILL NO. 486

By: Price and Capps of the  
Senate

and

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An Act relating to crimes; making it unlawful to administer certain substances to or perform certain procedures to farm animals or livestock used for exhibition; providing penalty; providing for second or subsequent offense; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1229 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

For farm animals or livestock utilized for exhibition purposes, it shall be unlawful for any person to inject into the animal or livestock or cause the animal or livestock to ingest any drug, chemical or substance that is not labeled for use on animals, or to administer any chemical or substance routinely used on animals or livestock in an amount exceeding the recommended dosage or to perform any surgical procedure upon the animal or livestock when the intent is to alter the appearance of the animal or livestock or the muscle or fat content of the animal's carcass. Ordinary and customary veterinarian procedures, including but not limited to

dehorning, branding, tagging or notching ears, castrating, deworming, vaccinating or docking of farm animals, and any surgery of any kind not performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body or hide, shall not be prohibited by this section. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor, upon conviction, punishable by a fine of not less than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), nor more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), or imprisonment in the county jail for not less than thirty (30) days nor more than one (1) year, or by both such fine and imprisonment. A second or subsequent violation of the provisions of this section shall be a felony, upon conviction, punishable by a fine of not less than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), nor more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), or by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term not less than one (1) year nor more than five (5) years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 28th day of February, 1995.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1995.

Speaker of the House of Representatives