

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 52nd Legislature (2009)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR ENGROSSED
5 HOUSE BILL 2151

By: Armes, McMullen, Renegar,
Smithson and Cannaday of
the House

6 and

7 Schulz of the Senate

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11 An Act relating to agriculture; authorizing the
12 Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and
13 Forestry to be the state entity to implement certain
14 policies on the care and handling of livestock;
15 prohibiting political subdivisions from enacting or
enforcing certain ordinances or regulations;
16 clarifying status of certain ordinances or
17 regulations; providing for codification; and
18 providing an effective date.

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

20 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-4c of Title 2, unless there is
22 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 A. Except as may otherwise be provided by law, the Oklahoma
24 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry shall be the state

1 entity empowered to implement the policy of the state regarding the
2 care and handling of livestock in this state.

3 B. No municipality, county, or other political subdivision of
4 this state shall enact or enforce any order, ordinance, or
5 regulation concerning the care and handling of livestock within its
6 jurisdiction that is more restrictive than rules promulgated by the
7 Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry concerning
8 the care and handling of livestock or Section 1685 of Title 21 of
9 the Oklahoma Statutes. Ordinances or regulations by municipalities
10 pertaining to land use or to human health or safety shall not be
11 considered to constitute livestock care and handling.

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

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