

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 299

By: Fields of the Senate

and

Biggs and Murdock of the
House

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An Act relating to theft of animals; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1716, which relates to theft of domestic animals or implements of husbandry; updating reference; increasing certain maximum fine; authorizing certain sentence under specified circumstances; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1716, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1716. A. Any person in this state who shall steal any horse, jackass, jennet, mule, cow, hog, or implement of husbandry, as defined in Section 1-125 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall be guilty of a felony and upon conviction shall be punished by confinement in the ~~State Penitentiary~~ Department of Corrections for a term of not less than three (3) years, nor more than ten (10) years; and any person in this state who shall steal any dog, sheep,

1 or goat, shall be guilty of a felony and upon conviction therefor
2 shall be punished by confinement in the ~~State Penitentiary~~
3 Department of Corrections for a term not less than six (6) months,
4 nor more than three (3) years, ~~or~~ by a fine in an amount that is
5 equal to three times the value of animals and machinery that were
6 stolen but not more than ~~Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00)~~
7 Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00), or by both such
8 fine and imprisonment. The word "horse" as used in this section
9 includes all animals of the equine species and the word "cow"
10 includes all animals of bovine species.

11 B. If the court elects not to sentence the defendant to
12 confinement in the Department of Corrections pursuant to subsection
13 A of this section, the court may sentence the defendant to
14 confinement in the county jail for a term not less than six (6)
15 months nor more than one (1) year.

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

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