## An Act

ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 558

By: Hall of the Senate

and

Burns of the House

An Act relating to livestock diseases; amending 2 O.S. 2011, Section 6-94, which relates to removal of permanent mark or brand; prohibiting removal of identification without authorization; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Removal of livestock identification

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 2 O.S. 2011, Section 6-94, is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-94. A. The owner of exposed animals or reactors shall present the animals for branding or tagging within fifteen (15) days after receiving notice of reaction or exposure. The failure of an owner to comply with the requirements of this subsection shall be deemed a misdemeanor.

B. The removal of any permanent mark or brand, including metal ear tags official identification, from any animal with a reportable disease or those classified as diseased in a herd being depopulated, without prior authorization from the State Veterinarian, shall be deemed a felony.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

Passed the Senate the 21st day of February, 2019. Presiding Officer of the Senate Passed the House of Representatives the 9th day of April, 2019. Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Received by the Office of the Governor this day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M. By: Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M. Governor of the State of Oklahoma OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_ M. By: