

1 SENATE BILL 552

2 **51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO AGRICULTURE; ENACTING THE LIVESTOCK OPERATION
12 INTERFERENCE ACT; PROVIDING PENALTIES.

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14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

15 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.--This act may be cited as the
16 "Livestock Operation Interference Act".

17 SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.--As used in the Livestock
18 Operation Interference Act:

19 A. "livestock" means all domestic or domesticated
20 animals that are used or raised on a farm or ranch, including
21 the carcasses thereof, and exotic animals in captivity;
22 "livestock" includes horses, asses, mules, cattle, sheep,
23 goats, swine, bison, poultry, ostriches, emus, rheas, camelids
24 and farmed cervidae upon any land in New Mexico; and

25 B. "livestock operation" means property used for

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1 the production of livestock or livestock products.

2 SECTION 3. LIVESTOCK OPERATION INTERFERENCE.--A person is
3 guilty of livestock operation interference if the person:

4 A. without consent from the owner of a livestock
5 operation, or the owner's agent, knowingly or intentionally
6 records an image of, or sound from, the livestock operation by
7 leaving a recording device on the livestock operation;

8 B. obtains access to a livestock operation under
9 false pretenses;

10 C. applies for employment at a livestock operation
11 with the intent to record an image of, or sound from, the
12 livestock operation;

13 D. knows, at the time that the person accepts
14 employment at a livestock operation, that the owner of the
15 livestock operation prohibits the employee from recording an
16 image of, or sound from, the livestock operation and while
17 present on the livestock operation records an image of, or
18 sound from, the livestock operation; or

19 E. without consent of the owner of a livestock
20 operation or the owner's agent, knowingly or intentionally
21 records an image of, or sound from, a livestock operation while
22 the person is committing criminal trespass, as described in
23 Section 30-14-1 NMSA 1978, on the livestock operation.

24 SECTION 4. PENALTIES.--A person who commits livestock
25 operation interference as described in Section 3 of the

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1 Livestock Operation Interference Act is guilty of a misdemeanor
2 and shall be sentenced according to Section 31-19-1 NMSA 1978.

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