

# An Act

ENROLLED SENATE  
BILL NO. 775

By: Murdock, Pederson and  
Stephens of the Senate

and

Dempsey and Newton of the  
House

An Act relating to livestock; authorizing the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry to create the Livestock Offender Registry; authorizing the promulgation of rules; authorizing the Department to contract with certain entities; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1716, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 89, O.S.L. 2016 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1716), which relates to the larceny of livestock or implements of husbandry; requiring registry of certain persons in the Livestock Offender Registry; requiring submission of certain records to the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Authorizing the creation of the Livestock Offender Registry

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 2-16.1 of Title 2, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry is authorized to create and maintain the Livestock Offender

Registry. Access to the registry shall be provided to the public on the Department's website.

B. The Livestock Offender Registry shall contain all persons convicted of violating Section 1716 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

C. The Department may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section.

D. The Department is authorized to contract with a statewide livestock organization, as defined in Section 4-2 of Title 2 of the Oklahoma Statutes, to create and maintain the Livestock Offender Registry.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1716, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 89, O.S.L. 2016 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, 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, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections for a term of not less than three (3) years nor more than ten (10) years, or by a fine in an amount that is equal to three times the value of animals and machinery that were stolen but not more than Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment. Each head of cattle stolen may constitute a separate offense and may be punishable as a separate violation.

B. Any person in this state who shall steal any dog, sheep or goat shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections for a term of not less than six (6) months nor more than three (3) years, or by a fine in an amount that is equal to three times the value of the animals that were stolen but not more than Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

C. The word "horse" as used in this section includes all animals of the equine species, and the word "cow" includes all animals of the bovine species.

D. Persons convicted of violating the provisions of subsection A of this section shall be registered by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in the Livestock Offender Registry created in Section 1 of this act.

E. The county in which the offender is convicted shall submit a certified copy of the judgment and sentence confirming the conviction for entry in the Livestock Offender Registry to the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry or, if designated by the Department, to a statewide livestock organization.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

Passed the Senate the 8th day of March, 2021.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 14th day of April, 2021.

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of Representatives

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