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AN ACT relating to agriculture; specifying participation in livestock contagious and infectious reportable disease testing and containment programs and reimbursements to include all producers in the state including producers on the Wind River Indian Reservation as specified; providing for cooperative agreements with the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho Tribes; expanding the governor's authority to negotiate on brucellosis containment; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 11-19-101 by creating a new subsection (d), 11-19-214, 11-19-405(a) and 11-19-406 are amended to read:

11-19-101. Duties of state veterinarian generally; failure to comply with provisions; penalty.

(d) The state veterinarian may provide contagious and infectious reportable disease testing, containment and reimbursement services under this chapter to any livestock producer in Wyoming, including on the Wind River Indian Reservation who agrees to comply with the applicable program requirements, rules and any orders or regulations issued pursuant to the testing results or program requirements. Services on the Wind River Indian Reservation under this subsection may also be provided pursuant to a cooperative agreement entered into by the Wyoming livestock board, in consultation with the state veterinarian, and the Eastern Shoshone Tribe, the Northern Arapaho Tribe or the cooperative tribal governing body. The testing, containment and reimbursement services provided under this subsection

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shall not apply to bison designated as wildlife pursuant to W.S. 11-20-101(a)(iv).

11-19-214. Disposition of diseased livestock.

All livestock animals in Wyoming, including those belonging to a producer on the Wind River Indian Reservation who receives services pursuant to W.S. 11-19-101(d), found to be affected with or exposed to tuberculosis may be disposed on the origin premises or transported under the direction of the state veterinarian directly to an approved slaughter facility, rendering facility or veterinary diagnostic laboratory in accordance with federal regulations. Producers may be eligible for indemnification as provided in W.S. 11-19-106 for any livestock animal ordered disposed pursuant to this section.

11-19-405. Control of brucellosis; governor authorized to negotiate with federal agencies.

(a) In order To preserve the brucellosis-free status of this state, the governor shall enter into negotiations with any relevant parties including appropriate federal agencies and tribes of the regions adjacent to Wyoming on steps necessary to ensure brucellosis is not passed from wildlife to livestock.

11-19-406. Sale of diseased cattle or domestic bison.

All cattle or domestic bison in Wyoming, including those belonging to a producer on the Wind River Indian Reservation who receives services pursuant to W.S. 11-19-101(d), lawfully found affected to be with including all sexually intact cattle brucellosis, or domestic bison that are part of a herd found to be affected

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with brucellosis, may be shipped or transported under the direction of the state veterinarian to livestock markets and sold for immediate slaughter or transferred to an approved slaughter facility or veterinary diagnostic laboratory in accordance with federal regulations. Payments under this section shall not be made by the state for any sexually intact female cattle or bison which are over twelve (12) months old and which are not official calfhood vaccinates as provided in board rule and regulation. Producers may be eligible for indemnification in accordance with W.S. 11-19-106 for any livestock ordered disposed pursuant to this section.

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Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2023.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk