



1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 124

February 8, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives KLUSMAN, OTT, AINSWORTH, BRANCEL, ALBERS, DOBYNS, GARD, GOETSCH, HARSDORF, POWERS, REYNOLDS, MUSSEY, NASS, LADWIG, OWENS, KREIBICH, HAHN, SERATTI, ZUKOWSKI, FREESE, OURADA, WARD, OLSEN, PROSSER, HUBLER, ZIEGELBAUER, HUEBSCH, F. LASEE, SKINDRUD, LEHMAN, HUTCHISON, JOHNSRUD, PORTER, GREEN, BAUMGART and GUNDERSON, cosponsored by Senators A. LASEE, DRZEWIECKI, RUDE and BUETTNER. Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

- 1 **AN ACT to repeal** 95.51; and **to create** 100.025 (3) of the statutes; **relating to:**
2 the sale of calves at livestock markets and by livestock dealers and the
3 identification of slaughter calves.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a livestock market operator is required to apply a mark, at the time of sale, to each calf weighing 200 pounds or less (calf) that is sold at the operator's livestock market. A livestock dealer who purchases a calf for resale is required to apply a mark to the calf at the time of purchase. A livestock dealer who intends to sell, at any place other than a livestock market, a calf that was sold in another state is required to apply a mark to the calf before offering it for sale. The department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection is required to promulgate rules specifying the methods and materials for marking calves.

This bill eliminates the requirements that livestock market operators and livestock dealers mark calves. This bill also authorizes the owner of the herd of origin of any calf to identify the calf as a slaughter calf by notching the right ear. The bill prohibits the buyer of a calf identified as a slaughter calf from misrepresenting in writing that the calf will be slaughtered.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

- 4 **SECTION 1.** 95.51 of the statutes is repealed.
5 **SECTION 2.** 100.025 (3) of the statutes is created to read:

