

CHAPTER 55

AN ACT to amend 95.70 (2) and (3); to repeal and recreate 95.70 (1) (a); and to create 95.49 (1) (h) and (4) and 95.70 (1) (c) of the statutes, relating to movement and sale of slaughter livestock, defining "livestock dealer", and defining and licensing "livestock markets".

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

SECTION 1. 95.49 (1) (h) of the statutes is created to read:

95.49 (1) (h) Animals not known to be affected with brucellosis moved to a livestock market, licensed and inspected under s. 95.70, for sale and removal to a slaughtering establishment as provided in sub. (4), and animals moved to a public stockyards inspected by the federal government.

SECTION 2. 95.49 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

95.49 (4) No operator of a livestock market licensed under s. 95.70 shall yard or permit the yarding of slaughter cattle moved to such market for sale, pursuant to the exemption from brucellosis test in sub. (1) (h), while cattle to be sold for dairy, breeding or feeding purposes are located at the premises of such market. All cattle, for whatever purpose, located or yarded at the premises of a livestock market while there are cattle located at such premises which have been moved there pursuant to the exemption from brucellosis test in sub. (1) (h), are deemed to be slaughter cattle and shall be removed directly to a slaughtering establishment for immediate slaughter. Prior to removal to a slaughtering establishment such cattle, except calves under 4 months of age, shall be branded with the letter "S" in a manner prescribed by the department. When such slaughter cattle are removed from a livestock market the operator shall furnish the owner an invoice or similar document, signed by him, stating the date of removal and destination of the animals; the name and address of the seller, and of the buyer if sold; and the number of animals. Such document shall accompany the cattle and a copy shall be kept on file at the livestock market for at least 6 months after its execution. After any such slaughter cattle have been yarded at a livestock market the operator shall cause the premises to be cleaned and disinfected, as directed by the department, before any cattle to be sold for dairy, breeding or feeding purposes are unloaded at the premises.

SECTION 3. 95.70 (1) (a) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

95.70 (1) (a) "Livestock dealer" means any person who engages in the business of buying for resale, selling or exchanging cattle, sheep or swine as principal or agent, or who holds himself out as so engaged, but does not include employes of a licensed livestock dealer doing business in the name of such dealer, or the owner or operator of a farm who sells only cattle, sheep or swine which have been kept by him solely for dairy, breeding or feeding purposes and who does not hold himself out as engaged as a livestock dealer.

SECTION 4. 95.70 (1) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

95.70 (1) (c) "Livestock market" means any premises open to the public for the purpose of trading in cattle, sheep or swine and on which facilities are maintained for the yarding, feeding and watering of animals prior to sale, but shall not include any livestock market inspected by the federal government.

SECTION 5. 95.70 (2) and (3) of the statutes are amended to read:

95.70 (2) No person shall engage as a livestock dealer \* \* \* , livestock trucker or operator of a livestock market without a license. *The operator of a livestock market licensed under this section shall not be required to be licensed as a livestock dealer.* Each license shall expire June 30 next following its issuance. Application shall be made upon forms provided by the department. An application for a livestock dealer's license shall be accompanied by a fee of \$10. An application for a livestock trucker's license shall be accompanied by a fee of \$1. *An application for a livestock market license shall be accompanied by a fee of \$25.* The license shall bear the name of the licensee and his business address. No \* \* \* person whose license has been revoked may be issued another license within one year of the revocation.

(3) The department pursuant to s. 93.18 \* \* \* shall \* \* \* issue rules \* \* \* governing conduct of the business of *livestock markets, livestock dealers and livestock truckers, including sanitary requirements for premises, facilities and operations.* It \* \* \* shall require persons so engaged to make and preserve records of their business and to make reports thereof to the department. *The department shall inspect the premises, facilities and vehicles of licensees under this section.*

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