

AMENDMENTS TO LB572

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM410)

Introduced by Erdman, 47.

1 1. Strike amendments 1, 2, and 11 and insert the following new
2 amendments:

3 1. Strike sections 4, 5, and 10 and insert the following new
4 sections:

5 Sec. 16. Section 54-191, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
6 2020, is amended to read:

7 54-191 (1) The Nebraska Brand Committee is hereby created. Beginning
8 August 28, 2007, the brand committee shall consist of five members
9 appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Legislature. At
10 least three appointed members shall be active cattlemen and at least
11 one appointed member shall be an active cattle feeder. The Secretary of
12 State and the Director of Agriculture, or their designees, shall be
13 nonvoting, ex officio members of the brand committee. The appointed
14 members shall be owners of cattle within the brand inspection area, shall
15 reside within the brand inspection area, shall be owners of Nebraska-
16 recorded brands, and shall be persons whose principal business and
17 occupation is the raising or feeding of cattle within the brand
18 inspection area.

19 (2) The members of the brand committee shall elect a chairperson and
20 vice-chairperson from among its appointed members during the first
21 meeting held after September 1 each calendar year. A member may be
22 reelected to serve as chairperson or vice-chairperson.

23 (3) The terms of the members shall be four-year, staggered terms,
24 beginning on August 28 of the year of initial appointment or
25 reappointment and concluding on August 27 of the year of expiration. At
26 the expiration of the term of an appointed member, the Governor shall

1 appoint a successor, subject to confirmation by the Legislature. If there
2 is a vacancy on the brand committee, the Governor shall fill such vacancy
3 by appointing a member to serve during the unexpired term of the member
4 whose office has become vacant. Any appointment to fill a vacancy shall
5 be subject to confirmation by the Legislature.

6 (4) The action of a majority of the members shall be deemed the
7 action of the brand committee. No appointed member shall hold any
8 elective or appointive state or federal office while serving as a member
9 of the brand committee. Each member and each brand committee employee who
10 collects or who is the custodian of any funds shall be bonded or insured
11 as required under section 11-201. The appointed members of the brand
12 committee shall be reimbursed for expenses in attending meetings of the
13 brand committee or in performing any other duties that are prescribed in
14 the Livestock Brand Act or section 54-415, as provided for in sections
15 81-1174 to 81-1177.

16 The purpose of the Nebraska Brand Committee is to protect Nebraska
17 brand and livestock owners from the theft of livestock through
18 established brand recording, brand inspection, and livestock theft
19 investigation.

20 Sec. 31. A person commits a Class III felony if such person:

21 (1) Willfully and knowingly performs or causes to be performed any
22 act to:

23 (a) Apply, remove, damage, or alter an approved non-visual
24 identifier; or

25 (b) Expunge, alter, render inaccessible, or otherwise corrupt
26 information recorded or embedded on or in an approved non-visual
27 identifier; and

28 (2) Such conduct is done with the intent to deprive an owner of
29 livestock or falsely assert ownership of livestock.

30 2. On page 2, line 3, after the last comma insert "and 31"; in line
31 4 strike "10, 11, and 12"; in line 9 strike "8, 9, 10" and insert "8, and

- 1 9"; and in line 10 strike "11, and 12".
- 2 11. Renumber the remaining sections and correct the repealer
- 3 accordingly.