

HOUSE BILL NO. 115

INTRODUCED BY C. CLARK

BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING ALTERNATIVE LIVESTOCK RANCH ANIMALS AND RABBITS TO BE SLAUGHTERED AND PREPARED IN ESTABLISHMENTS THAT SLAUGHTER AND PREPARE CATTLE, BUFFALO, SHEEP, SWINE, OR GOATS; ~~AND~~ AMENDING SECTION 81-9-232, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 81-9-232, MCA, is amended to read:

"81-9-232. Regulation of equine, ~~alternative livestock ranch animal, or rabbit carcasses or products.~~ (1) Equines, ~~alternative livestock ranch animals, and rabbits~~ and their carcasses, parts of carcasses, and meat food products must be slaughtered and prepared in establishments separate from ~~the~~ establishments where cattle, buffalo, sheep, swine, or goats are slaughtered or their carcasses, parts of carcasses, or meat food products are prepared.

(2) The board may by rule otherwise limit the entry of equine, ~~alternative livestock ranch animal, or rabbit~~ carcasses, parts of carcasses, meat food products, and other materials into any establishment where inspection under 81-9-216 through 81-9-220 and 81-9-226 through 81-9-236 is maintained; under conditions ~~as~~ it may prescribe to ensure that allowing the entry of the articles into inspected establishments will be consistent with the purposes of 81-9-216 through 81-9-220 and 81-9-226 through 81-9-236."

NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. [THIS ACT] IS EFFECTIVE ON PASSAGE AND APPROVAL.

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