

Amendments to House Bill No. 179
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Requested by Representative Theresa Manzella

For the House Agriculture Committee

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1. Title, page 1, line 4 through line 6.

Strike: "MAKING IT" on line 4 through "OWNER'S CONSENT" on line 6

Insert: "LIMITING EXEMPTIONS PROVIDED FOR IN THE FARM ANIMAL AND RESEARCH FACILITIES PROTECTION ACT TO GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, AND SECURED PARTIES"

2. Page 1, line 8.

Following: line 7

Insert: "WHEREAS, a county sheriff performs the duties of a humane officer within a county related to the protection of animals pursuant to section 7-32-2121, MCA; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Livestock appoints stock inspectors and detectives necessary for the protection of livestock pursuant to section 81-1-201, MCA; and

WHEREAS, the Farm Animal and Research Facilities Protection Act in Title 81, MCA, was designed to protect animal facilities; and

WHEREAS, the term "humane animal treatment shelter" is not defined in the Farm Animal and Research Facilities Protection Act or in other state law; and

WHEREAS, humane animal treatment shelters are not under state oversight, placing the state at a liability risk for injuries to personnel from a humane animal treatment shelter assisting in the confiscation of seized animals or injuries to the animals being confiscated."

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