

HOUSE BILL NO. 443

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING DEPUTY STATE STOCK INSPECTORS TO PAY A PORTION OF INSPECTION FEES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK; AND AMENDING SECTION 81-3-205, MCA."

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

Section 1. Section 81-3-205, MCA, is amended to read:

"81-3-205. Fees for inspection and livestock transportation permits. (1) (a) For the service of inspection of all livestock except horses, mules, or asses before removal from a county or before change of ownership, the inspector making the inspections must receive a fee established by the department for each head inspected.

(b) For the issuance of a market consignment permit or transportation permit, other than a permanent permit, before removal from a county for all livestock, the inspector issuing the permits must receive a fee established by the department for each permit issued and must receive in addition the inspector's necessary actual expenses, to be paid by the owner or the person for whom the inspection is made or permit issued.

(c) For the issuance of a permanent horse transportation permit, the state stock inspector taking the application for permit shall receive a fee established by the department for each permit issued.

(d) All inspection and permit fees and expenses must be collected by the inspector at the time of inspection or issuance of permit, all the fees and expenses collected by a deputy state stock inspector must be retained by the deputy, and all fees and expenses collected by a state stock inspector must be sent by the inspector to the department for deposit in the state treasury to the credit of the state special revenue fund for the use of the department.

(2) (a) For the service of inspection before any livestock except a horse, mule, or ass is sold or offered for sale at a licensed livestock market or slaughtered at a licensed slaughterhouse, a state stock inspector or deputy state stock inspector making the inspection must receive a fee established by the department for each head inspected. All fees must be paid by the owner or by the person for whom the inspection is made.

(b) For releasing an animal so that it may be removed from the premises of a licensed livestock market,



1 the state stock inspector making the release must receive a fee established by the department for each head
2 inspected from the owner or the person for whom the release is made. All fees for inspection and release at the
3 market must be collected at the time the inspection or release is made by the state stock inspector making the
4 inspection or release and must be sent by the inspector to the department for deposit in the state treasury to the
5 credit of the state special revenue fund for the use of the department.

6 (c) All fees for preslaughter inspection made at a licensed slaughterhouse by the state stock inspector
7 must be paid to the department for deposit in the state treasury to the credit of the state special revenue fund for
8 the use of the department. Preslaughter inspection fees paid to a deputy state stock inspector must be retained
9 by the deputy.

10 (3) (a) For the service of inspection of horses, mules, or asses before removal from a county or before
11 change of ownership, the inspector making the inspection must receive a fee established by the department for
12 each head inspected and must receive in addition the inspector's necessary actual expenses, to be paid by the
13 owner or the person for whom the inspection is made. All fees and expenses collected by a state stock inspector
14 must be sent by the inspector to the department for deposit in the state treasury to the credit of the state special
15 revenue fund for the use of the department.

16 (b) For the service of inspection before a horse, mule, or ass is sold or offered for sale at a licensed
17 livestock market, a state stock inspector making the inspection must receive a fee established by the department
18 for each head inspected. All fees must be paid by the owner or the person for whom the inspection is made to
19 the state stock inspector.

20 (4) All inspection and release fees and expenses must be paid to the department for deposit in the state
21 treasury to the credit of the state special revenue fund for the use of the department unless paid to a deputy state
22 stock inspector. State stock inspectors must be paid for their services and receive their expenses as fixed by the
23 department. Subject to subsection (5), a deputy state stock inspector may retain all fees and expenses collected.

24 (5) If the department increases any inspection fee under this section after October 1, 2017, half of the
25 fee increase must be sent by a deputy state stock inspector to the department for deposit in the state treasury
26 to the credit of the state special revenue fund for the use of the department."

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