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1 AN ACT Relating to penalties for trading in nonambulatory
2 livestock; adding a new section to chapter 16.36 RCW; prescribing
3 penalties; and declaring an emergency.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 16.36 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) Any person who knowingly transports or accepts delivery of
8 nonambulatory livestock is subject to a fine of up to one thousand
9 dollars per day. The transport or acceptance of each nonambulatory
10 livestock animal is considered a separate and distinct violation. The
11 fine authorized in this section is in addition to any criminal
12 violation specified in RCW 16.36.110 and any other penalty provided by
13 law.

14 (2) The department shall set the amount of the fine authorized in
15 this section after considering the:

16 (a) History of the violator;

17 (b) Severity of the violation's impact on the health and safety of
18 the public and the state's animal population; and

1 (c) Significance of the risk created for the health and safety of
2 the public and the state's animal population.

3 (3) This section does not apply to the:

4 (a) Transport or acceptance by a veterinarian licensed under
5 chapter 18.92 RCW of nonambulatory livestock under his or her care,
6 including the delivery or acceptance by a veterinarian licensed under
7 chapter 18.92 RCW of nonambulatory livestock to provide appropriate
8 medical care and treatment or euthanasia of a nonambulatory livestock
9 animal; and

10 (b) Transport of nonambulatory livestock for the appropriate care,
11 medical treatment, or euthanasia on a farm.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
13 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
14 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
15 immediately.

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