
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6109

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By Senate Committee on Agriculture (originally sponsored by Senators Jacobsen, Swecker, Rasmussen, Oke, Esser, McAuliffe and Spanel; by request of Department of Agriculture)

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1 AN ACT Relating to animal identification systems; and adding a new
2 section to chapter 16.57 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 16.57 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 The director may adopt rules to establish a system of animal
7 identification to support the agriculture industry in meeting federal
8 requirements. However, any requirements of an animal identification
9 system established under this section for country of origin labeling
10 purposes shall be substantially consistent with and shall not exceed
11 the requirements established by the United States department of
12 agriculture. The director, in consultation with the livestock
13 identification advisory board under RCW 16.57.015, may cooperate with
14 and enter into agreements with other states and agencies of federal
15 government to carry out such a system and to promote consistency of
16 regulation.

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