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

Brief Description: Establishing a system of animal identification.

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Provides that the director may adopt rules to establish a system of animal identification to support the agriculture industry in meeting federal requirements. However, any requirements of an animal identification system established under this act for country of origin labeling purposes shall be substantially consistent with and shall not exceed the requirements established by the United States department of agriculture.

Authorizes the director, in consultation with the livestock identification advisory board under RCW 16.57.015, to cooperate with and enter into agreements with other states and agencies of federal government to carry out such a system and to promote consistency of regulation.