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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1239

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For An Act To Be Entitled

10 "AN ACT TO REGULATE THE DISPOSAL OF CARCASSES OF LARGE
11 ANIMALS, EXCLUDING DOGS AND CATS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

14 "AN ACT TO REGULATE THE DISPOSAL OF CARCASSES OF LARGE
15 ANIMALS, EXCLUDING DOGS AND CATS."

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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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19 SECTION 1. As used in this act, unless the context otherwise requires:

20 (1) "Commission" means the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission
21 created by § 2-33-101;

22 (2) "Large animal carcasses" means carcasses of large animals which
23 died as the result of sickness, suffocation, accident, or from any cause other
24 than intentional slaughter;

25 (3) "Large animal" means cattle, horses, hogs, sheep, goats, cervidae,
26 bison, llamas, alpacas, ostriches, emus, rheas, and other native or non-native
27 animals, excluding dogs and cats.

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29 SECTION 2. Each violation of this act by a responsible person shall
30 constitute a Class A misdemeanor and shall be punishable accordingly.

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32 SECTION 3. *All large animal carcasses and all parts thereof shall be*
33 *disposed of in a manner prescribed by regulations of the Arkansas Livestock*
34 *and Poultry Commission.*

35 *Provided, no large animal carcass shall be buried or otherwise disposed*

1 of in any landfill operated under a permit issued by the Department of
2 Pollution Control and Ecology.

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4 SECTION 4. If a person or entity conducts farming activities at more
5 than one location, it shall not be necessary for such person to have a
6 disposal ditch or facility at each location unless specified by the State
7 Veterinarian.

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9 SECTION 5. The commission shall, by regulation, specify:

10 (1) The requirements for disposal ditches and incineration;

11 (2) The method of burying large animal carcasses and parts thereof; and

12 (3) All other methods and procedures found acceptable by the commission
13 for the disposal of large animal carcasses and parts thereof.

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15 SECTION 6. The commission shall have the responsibility to respond to
16 and take appropriate action concerning complaints relating to large animal
17 carcasses.

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19 SECTION 7. The commission shall promulgate regulations necessary to
20 implement this act.

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22 SECTION 8. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
23 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
24 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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26 SECTION 9. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
27 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
28 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
29 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
30 act are declared to be severable.

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32 SECTION 10. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
33 hereby repealed.

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/s/Rep. Hinshaw, et al

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