# **Department of Finance and Administration**

## **Legislative Impact Statement**

Bill: HB1580 As Engrossed: 3/8/2013

BIII Subtitle: CONCERNING AN ARKANSAS BOVINE ANIMAL DISEASE PROGRAM AND THE USE OF THE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY COMMISSION DISEASE AND PEST CONTROL FUND; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

#### Basic Change:

Representative Talley

<u>Engrossment 03/08/13 --- House Amendment 1</u> --- The amendment reinstates the current fee of \$1.00 per head of cattle sold in the state to support the bovine animal disease program in Arkansas.

Original Bill --- The bill changes the fee for funding the Arkansas bovine animal disease program from the current fee of \$1.00 per head on all cattle sold in the state to a fee not to exceed \$2.00 per head on cattle. The Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission would establish the amount of the fee necessary to operate and continue the Arkansas bovine animal disease program. The fee is to be deposited as special revenues and credited to the Livestock and Poultry Commission Disease and Pest Control Fund.

The bill also changes the purpose for which the funds raised are to be used. The funds will be used to fund the bovine animal disease program. Current law provides that the funds are used for brucellosis control and eradication.

#### Revenue Impact :

None.

## Taxpayer Impact :

No change in monthly reporting of fees collected.

## Resources Required:

None

#### Time Required :

None

#### Procedural Changes:

None

#### Legal Analysis:

This bill now continues the levy of a \$1.00 fee on the sale of cattle to support the bovine animal disease program.