

An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 546

By: Howard and Murdock of the
Senate

and

Worthen of the House

An Act relating to animals and carcasses; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1222, which relates to disposition of diseased animals; clarifying statutory language; requiring disposal in accordance with recommendations of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry; removing certain disposal requirement; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Disposal of diseased animal carcasses

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1222, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1222. It shall be the duty of the owner of any domestic animal in the State of Oklahoma, which ~~may hereafter die~~ dies of any contagious or infectious disease, ~~either to burn the carcass thereof or bury the same to dispose of the carcass~~ within twenty-four (24) hours after he has notice or knowledge of such fact so that, Disposal shall be in accordance with the recommendations and requirements of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry. If buried, no part of such the carcass shall be nearer than two and one-half (2 1/2) feet of the surface of the soil. Provided, That all hogs dying of any disease shall be burned. It shall further be unlawful to bury any such diseased carcass ~~as mentioned in this section~~ in any land along any stream or ravine, where it is liable to become exposed through erosion of the soil, or

where such land is any time subject to overflow. "Owner", as used in this section, shall mean and include any person having possession of domestic animals in his possession, either by reason of ownership, rent, hire, loan, or otherwise, and shall be subject to all the pains and penalties of this article the penalty contained in Section 1224 of this title.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

Passed the Senate the 11th day of March, 2019.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 23rd day of April, 2019.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this _____

day of _____, 20_____, at _____ o'clock _____ M.

By: _____

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Governor of the State of Oklahoma

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