

An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1512

By: Kerbs of the House

and

Pederson of the Senate

An Act relating to agriculture; amending 2 O.S. 2021, Section 2-4c, which relates to the power to regulate care and handling of livestock, partial preemption of local orders, ordinances, or regulations; providing that standards for erection, installation, and use of structures and equipment for the care and handling of livestock and planting of agricultural crops are regulated by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry; providing for certain application; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Agriculture

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 2 O.S. 2021, Section 2-4c, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-4c. A. Except as may otherwise be provided by law, the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry shall be the state entity empowered to implement the policy of the state regarding the care and handling of livestock in this state.

B. No municipality, county, or other political subdivision of this state shall enact or enforce any order, ordinance, or regulation concerning the care and handling of livestock within its jurisdiction that is more restrictive than rules promulgated by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry concerning the care and handling of livestock or Section 1685 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Ordinances or regulations by municipalities

pertaining to land use or to human health or safety shall not be considered to constitute livestock care and handling.

C. Except as otherwise provided by law as of the effective date of this act, standards for erection, installation, and use of structures and equipment used for care and handling of livestock, poultry facilities, and planting of agricultural crops, except medical marijuana, shall only be subject to regulation by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry. This subsection shall only apply to all entities who purport to regulate the erection, installation, and use of structures and equipment for care and handling of livestock, poultry, and planting of agricultural crops, except medical marijuana, in unincorporated areas.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

Passed the House of Representatives the 12th day of May, 2022.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 26th day of April, 2022.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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Governor of the State of Oklahoma

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