

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 271

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PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to examine issues, benefits, and costs associated with expanding the brand inspection area to include the entire State of Nebraska. This study shall identify and quantify the value conferred to cattle owners and to commerce in cattle through ownership verification and documentation, theft detection and deterrence, including detection and prevention of fraud, and in contributions to livestock disease traceability. This study shall also examine means to increase the functionality of brand recording and inspection for purposes of disease traceability, and examine systems of animal ID and documentation and recording of cattle movements and transactions that could be adapted and utilized for purposes of ownership verification, and how such systems might be integrated into the Nebraska brand law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Agriculture Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.