

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0146

Animal estray penalty-amendments.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Neiman, Allemand, Banks,
Davis, Hoeft and Williams and Senator(s)
Crago and Steinmetz

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to agriculture, livestock and other
2 animals; imposing a minimum fine and increasing the maximum
3 fine for the penalty for taking up estray animals;
4 providing increased penalties for second and subsequent
5 offenses; making a conforming amendment; specifying
6 applicability; and providing for an effective date.

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8 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 11-1-103 and 11-24-103 are amended to
11 read:

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13 **11-1-103. Penalty for violations.**

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1 A person who violates any of the following sections commits
2 a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than
3 six (6) months, a fine of not more than seven hundred fifty
4 dollars (\$750.00), or both for the first offense, or by
5 imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, a fine of not
6 more than one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), or
7 both for second or subsequent offenses: W.S. 11-6-210(a) or
8 (f), 11-18-112, 11-19-101, 11-19-102, 11-19-103, 11-19-111,
9 11-19-210, 11-19-215, 11-19-304, 11-19-306, 11-19-401,
10 11-20-114, 11-20-117, 11-20-229, 11-20-230, 11-21-104,
11 11-22-118, 11-23-106, 11-23-207, ~~11-24-103,~~ 11-24-106,
12 11-26-101(b), 11-30-114 and 11-48-102. A person who
13 violates board rules promulgated pursuant to W.S.
14 11-18-103(a)(v) shall be subject to the penalties specified
15 in this section.

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17 **11-24-103. Taking up estrays; penalties.**

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19 (a) Any person who takes up or retains possession of
20 any stray without the owner's knowledge or consent, or who
21 in any manner restrains from liberty for the purpose of
22 using or making use of any stray without the knowledge and
23 consent of the owner ~~shall be punished as provided in W.S.~~

1 ~~11-1-103~~ is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction
2 shall be:

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4 (i) Fined not less than seven hundred fifty
5 dollars (\$750.00) and not more than one thousand five
6 hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), imprisoned for not more than
7 six (6) months or both for the first offense;

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9 (ii) Fined not less than one thousand five
10 hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) and not more than three
11 thousand dollars (\$3,000.00), imprisoned for not more than
12 one (1) year or both for a second or subsequent offenses.

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14 **Section 2.** This act shall apply to any violation of
15 W.S. 11-24-103 occurring on or after July 1, 2025.

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17 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2025.

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19 (END)