

SECTION ~~2~~ 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1993.

Approved April 13, 1993.

CHAPTER 29

(House Bill 186)

AN ACT concerning

Livestock – Humane Treatment of 3-D Livestock at Livestock Auctions

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to adopt regulations governing the humane treatment of certain livestock by certain persons; defining a term; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to the humane treatment of livestock.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Agriculture

Section 3-301 and 3-307

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1985 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Agriculture

3-301.

(a) In this subtitle, the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) “Livestock dealer” means any person who engages in the business of selling, buying, exchanging, or transferring livestock at any place and at any time.

(C) “3-D LIVESTOCK” MEANS LIVESTOCK THAT IS UNABLE TO RISE EVEN WITH ASSISTANCE (A “DOWNER”), IS DEBILITATED, OR IS DISEASED.

[(c)](D) “Livestock” means cattle, swine, sheep, horses, asses, mules, or goats notwithstanding any other provision of this article.

[(d)](E) “Livestock market” means an established location where livestock are offered for sale.

[(e)](F) “Trucker or hauler” means a person who engages in the business of transporting livestock in trucks or other conveyances to or from a farm, a livestock auction, sales agency, or dealer’s premises.