

AN ACT

RELATING TO LIVESTOCK; PROVIDING FOR THE CONTROL OF FERAL HOGS; PROVIDING PENALTIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of The Livestock Code is enacted to read:

"FERAL HOGS--PROHIBITION--PENALTY.--

A. The purpose of this section is to ensure the public health, safety and welfare and to prevent the introduction or spread of disease to New Mexico's livestock and wildlife.

B. No person shall import into the state, transport within the state, hold for breeding, release or sell a live feral hog or operate a commercial feral hog hunting enterprise.

C. Any person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or by imprisonment for a definite term of less than one year or both.

D. As used in this section, "feral hog" means a pig that exists in an untamed state from domestication."