

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0054

Brucellosis-funding.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Luthi, Baker, Hageman,
Olsen and Prosser and Senator(s) Hines

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to agriculture and animals; providing
2 funding for brucellosis testing and quarantine feed costs
3 as specified; providing appropriations; and providing for
4 an effective date.

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

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 11-19-117 is amended to read:

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10 **11-19-117. Liability for damages caused by**
11 **quarantine.**

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13 (a) Where in the enforcement of quarantine
14 regulations owners of property are injured, the person
15 responsible for the necessity of the quarantine and all

1 those exercising ownership over the sheep quarantined are
2 liable for all damages and injuries occasioned thereby.

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4 (b) Where in the enforcement of quarantine
5 regulations livestock producers are restricted from
6 marketing livestock, the Wyoming livestock board upon
7 approval of the state veterinarian shall compensate the
8 livestock producer for the feed and feed related costs of
9 the quarantined livestock for the duration of the
10 quarantine.

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12 **Section 2.**

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14 (a) One million six hundred fifty thousand six
15 hundred five dollars (\$1,650,605.00) is appropriated from
16 the general fund to the livestock board for the
17 compensation of livestock producers related to the testing
18 for brucellosis in this state. The compensation for
19 testing shall be paid at five dollars (\$5.00) per head of
20 cattle actually tested. Payment shall be made monthly
21 directly to accredited veterinarians who perform
22 brucellosis testing as mandated by rule of the Wyoming
23 livestock board or the United States department of
24 agriculture animal plant and health inspection service upon

1 submission of a notarized invoice indicating the number of
2 head tested, ownership of the animals tested and testing
3 location. In addition, up to one hundred thousand dollars
4 (\$100,000.00) of this appropriation may be expended by the
5 livestock board to purchase necessary brucellosis testing
6 equipment and supplies.

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8 (b) Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) is
9 appropriated from the general fund to the livestock board
10 for compensation to livestock producers under W.S.
11 11-19-117(b).

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13 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon
14 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
15 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
16 Constitution.

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