

Proposed amendment to HB 2480  
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1 least six inches from the registered brand; (3) the use of numbers in  
2 conjunction with the registered brand of the owner may be used for the  
3 purpose of identifying herds of the same owner for feeding or  
4 experimental purposes, such numbers to be applied at least six inches from  
5 the registered brand; and (4) the use of a digital system of branding  
6 livestock may be used for the purpose of identifying animals in a licensed  
7 feedlot. Such feedlot brand may be used in conjunction with the registered  
8 brand of the owner; such brand to be applied at least six inches from such  
9 registered brand or may be used on animals which are not branded with a  
10 registered brand of the owner, subject to conditions, limitations and  
11 requirements applicable to the use of a feedlot brand as prescribed in  
12 K.S.A. 47-446, and amendments thereto.

13 (b) The age, serial, herd or feedlot brand shall not be construed as a  
14 part of the registered brand and the use of such numeral or numerals,  
15 whether or not such use is in conjunction with a registered brand, shall not  
16 be unlawful. Before any person uses any such serial or herd brand in  
17 conjunction with a registered brand, such person shall first obtain a permit  
18 from the animal health commissioner authorizing such use.

19 (b) (c) The animal health commissioner is authorized may allow  
20 applicants to receive applications for permits for such denote on an  
21 application for a registered brand whether the applicant shall use age,  
22 serial or herd brands, and issue permits thereon. All applications for such  
23 permits shall be accompanied by a permit fee of \$1.50. No such fee shall  
24 be required if the application for such permit is submitted in conjunction  
25 with an original application for the registered brand or in conjunction with  
26 a request for renewal of registration of a registered brand may allow the  
27 owner of a registered brand to amend the registered brand to denote  
28 whether the applicant will use such age, serial or herd brands.

29 Sec. 9. K.S.A. 47-421 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-421.  
30 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), any person who willfully  
31 brands or causes to be branded any livestock in any manner other than as  
32 required or authorized by the laws of this state and the rules and  
33 regulations of the animal health commissioner; or any person who falsely  
34 brands or causes to be falsely branded any livestock in such a manner as  
35 to knowingly designate the disease control identification or ownership of  
36 livestock shall be deemed guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

37 (b) Any person who shall willfully and knowingly brand or cause to  
38 be branded with such person's brand, or any brand not the recorded brand  
39 of the owner, any livestock being the property of another, or who shall  
40 willfully or knowingly efface, deface or obliterate any brand upon any  
41 livestock, shall be deemed guilty of felony F and upon conviction thereof  
42 shall be punished by confinement in the custody of the secretary of  
43 corrections for a period not exceeding five years.

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