

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

### **SB 32 Relating to livestock**

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To:	Ways and Means Full Committee
From:	Natural Resources Subcommittee
Carrier:	Senator Frederick

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SB 32 modifies fees charged the Department of Agriculture related to livestock branding and feedlot licensing.

Under this measure, the statutory caps for brand renewal fees, brand transfer fees, and brand service fees are all increased. Without increases to these fees, the Department anticipates the program will have a negative ending balance by May 2022.

By increasing the statutory cap, the Department will be able to evaluate its budget needs along with stakeholder input to determine the appropriate fee levels to be adopted by rule. Once adopted, these fees will then require ratification by the Legislature.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends SB 32 be reported out do pass.