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SENATE BILL 26-136

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE REPORTING OF MISSING LIVESTOCK TO THE**
102 **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill directs the division of brand inspection (division) in the department of agriculture and the state board of stock inspection commissioners (board) in the department of agriculture to receive reports of lost or stolen livestock. The board, in consultation with the division, shall adopt rules, which rules must be reviewed and approved by the division, to facilitate coordination between law enforcement and livestock

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
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HOUSE
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SENATE
3rd Reading Unamended
April 8, 2026

SENATE
Amended 2nd Reading
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owners related to the reporting of lost or stolen livestock.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 35-41-101, **add** (13)
3 as follows:

4 **35-41-101. State board of stock inspection commissioners -**
5 **creation - brand commissioner - enterprise - bonds - lost or stolen**
6 **livestock reports - procedures.**

7 (13)(a) THE BOARD AND THE DIVISION SHALL RECEIVE REPORTS OF
8 LOST OR STOLEN LIVESTOCK.

9 (b) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2026, THE DIVISION SHALL
10 IMPLEMENT PROCEDURES THAT:

11 (I) FACILITATE THE EFFICIENT COORDINATION WITH LAW
12 ENFORCEMENT RELATED TO REPORTS OF LOST OR STOLEN LIVESTOCK,
13 INCLUDING PROCEDURES THAT ENSURE THE REPORTING OF STOLEN
14 LIVESTOCK TO RELEVANT LAW ENFORCEMENT WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR
15 HOURS OF THE DIVISION RECEIVING A REPORT OF STOLEN LIVESTOCK, AND
16 AFTER THE DIVISION, UPON REVIEW OF THE REPORT, SUSPECTS THAT A
17 LIVESTOCK THEFT HAS OCCURRED; AND

18 (II) ENSURE THE PUBLIC IS NOTIFIED OF LOST OR STOLEN
19 LIVESTOCK THAT HAS BEEN REPORTED TO THE DIVISION.

20 (c) THE PROCEDURES IMPLEMENTED BY THE DIVISION PURSUANT
21 TO SUBSECTION (13)(b) OF THIS SECTION MAY VARY BY GEOGRAPHIC
22 REGION OF THE STATE DEPENDING ON THE REGION'S NEEDS.

23 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
24 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
25 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for

- 1 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
- 2 institutions.