

CHAPTER 286.

[ S. B. 423. ]

CUSTOM SLAUGHTERING FOR FARMERS—MARKINGS.

AN ACT relating to custom slaughtering for farmers; amending sections 16.48.095 and 16.48.140, RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 16.48, RCW.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

SECTION 1. Section 16.48.095, RCW, as derived from section 1, chapter 245, Laws of 1951, is amended to read as follows: Amendment.

Any person, firm or corporation engaged in custom slaughtering for farmers on their own farms or from a permanent location or from a fixed place of business shall secure from the director of agriculture an annual license to operate as a custom slaughterer and pay an annual license fee of twenty-five dollars. Farm slaughtering by a licensed custom slaughterer shall be limited to slaughtering animals for the farmer's own consumption. The director of agriculture is hereby empowered during certain seasons and within certain geographic areas to exempt custom slaughterers from such rules and regulations pertaining to wholesale and retail slaughterers as the director may from time to time find conducive to the best interests of such areas. Custom slaughterer's license.  
  
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Director may exempt from wholesale and retail slaughterers' rules and regulations.

SEC. 2. There is added to chapter 16.48, RCW, a new section to read as follows: New section.

All carcasses or parts of carcasses which have been slaughtered by a custom slaughterer for the farmer's own consumption shall be marked by roll stamping the full length of each half and quarter of the carcass with the words "not inspected" in letters not less than three-eighths of an inch in height, and by any other identification method found necessary by the director to insure adequate identification for law enforcement purposes, and no person shall sell Marking of carcasses.

or transport such meat unless marked as provided herein.

SEC. 3. Section 16.48.140, RCW, as derived from section 2, chapter 30, Laws of 1947, is amended to read as follows:

Carcass to bear license or permit number of slaughterer.

No person shall transport, have in his possession, or on his premises any carcass of a meat food animal which does not bear the clearly legible establishment number of a licensed slaughtering establishment maintaining either state or federal meat inspection or the permit number of a farm slaughterer or the roll stamp marking of a licensed custom slaughterer:

Exceptions.

*Provided*, That this provision shall not apply to carcasses slaughtered by a farmer for his own consumption, to the premises of a licensed slaughtering establishment, or to carcasses of animals that have died other than by slaughter.

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Approved by the Governor March 23, 1953.