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Agriculture 1.

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## A BILL FOR

An Act to amend chapter one hundred sixty-four point one (164.1), Code 1946, relating to the control and eradication of Bang's disease.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

1 Section 1. Amend section one hundred sixty-four point  
2 one (164.1), by adding at the end thereof the following  
3 paragraph: " 'Calfhood Vaccination' shall mean the  
4 vaccination of any calf with Brucellosis vaccine between  
5 the age of four (4) months and twelve (12) months, which  
6 calf shall have been officially vaccinated by a licensed  
7 veterinarian according to the rules and regulations es-  
8 tablished by the secretary of agriculture. If at any time  
9 between the ages of four (4) months and twelve (12) months  
10 a negative test of Bang's disease is obtained by the  
11 agglutination test, the calf may be vaccinated and a  
12 certificate granted for this calf after thirty (30) days.

1 Sec. 2. Amend section one hundred sixty-four point  
2 five (164.5) by adding at the end of said section the  
3 following sentence: "All cattle which have first been  
4 passed by an agglutination test and then officially

5 calfhood vaccinated by a licensed veterinarian shall be  
6 eligible for certificates after thirty (30) days from the  
7 date of vaccination shall declare such cattle free of  
8 Bang's disease and shall entitle the owners of such cattle  
9 to transport or sell such cattle any place in the State of  
10 Iowa." Cattle covered by certificates of vaccination as  
11 described above shall be identified by tattoo marks in either  
12 or both ears, and such markings shall become a part of the  
13 certificate.

1 Sec. 3. Amend chapter one hundred sixty-four by  
2 adding at the end thereof the following section: "Reci- .  
3 procity. The secretary of agriculture of the State of  
4 Iowa is hereby authorized and directed to enter into  
5 reciprocal agreements with other states to the end that  
6 cattle which are covered by certificates of vaccination  
7 in the State of Iowa and other states may be transported  
8 and sold in interstate commerce between the State of Iowa  
9 and such other states which enter in reciprocal agreements."

#### EXPLANATION OF H. F. 466

This is a bill which has for its purpose the control of Bang's disease in cattle. Bang's disease in cattle is probably the most costly element in the whole cattle industry. The so-called 'kill and slaughter' plan has not only been a costly one but it also has failed to do the job for which it was intended since there are only about one percent of the herds in the state officially accredited as free from the disease.

At the present time a very large percentage of the dairy cattle of the state are vaccinated unofficially and this is also true to a lesser degree in the beef cattle raised in the state. This bill proposes a plan which will have a definite control of the vaccinating of calves in the herds of the state.

The secretary of agriculture of the state have a record and direct supervision of all of the provisions of this bill. Since a fairly sizeable number of vaccinated cattle fail in the earlier years of their life to completely 'clear up' in their reactions after being calfhood vaccinated, this bill if enacted into law would remove the difficulties in the normal dealings of cattle, which are necessary and desirable for the ordinary handling of cattle in the state, and if passed would be a forward step in promoting the best interests of all the people of Iowa.