

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: RCS 03/21/2011

The Committee on Agriculture (Hays) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. (1) Any person, except an employee or agent of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services acting pursuant to s. 570.15, Florida Statutes, or a law enforcement officer conducting a lawful inspection or investigation, who enters onto a farm or other property where legal agriculture operations are being conducted and produces audio or video records without the written consent of the owner or an authorized representative of the owner, commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083,

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or s. 775.084, Florida Statutes.

- (2) As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Audio or video records" means any audio or video recording, regardless of the recording medium or format, including, but not limited to, photographs, audio or videotapes, cd's, dvd's, or streaming media, whether stored on film stock, hard disks, solid state storage, or any electrical, magnetic, or optical or other form of data storage.
- (b) "Farm" means any tract of land cultivated for the purpose of agricultural production, the raising and breeding of domestic animals, or the storage of a commodity.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.

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======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========== And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to farms; prohibiting a person from entering onto a farm and making any audio record, photograph, or video record at the farm without the owner's written consent; providing exceptions; providing definitions; providing penalties; providing an effective date.