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2009 SENATE BILL 142

March 31, 2009 – Introduced by Senators PLALE, S. FITZGERALD, TAYLOR, LASSA and HANSEN, cosponsored by Representatives PASCH, LOTHIAN, BERCEAU and SINICKI. Referred to Committee on Agriculture and Higher Education.

1 AN ACT to amend 97.42 (1) (a) and 97.42 (6) (c); and to create 97.425 of the

statutes; **relating to:** slaughter of equine animals.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill prohibits the slaughter of equine animals (horses and related animals) for human consumption.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

| 3 | SECTION 1. 97.42 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read: |
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| 4 | 97.42 (1) (a) "Animal" means cattle, sheep, swine, goats, <u>and</u> farm-raised deer, |
| 5 | horses, mules, and other equines. |
| 6 | SECTION 2. 97.42 (6) (c) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 7 | 97.42 (6) (c) No person shall slaughter horses, mules or other equines or may |
| 8 | process equine carcasses or meat at establishments where other animals or poultry |
| 9 | are slaughtered or where other meat or poultry products are processed. |

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1 **SECTION 3.** 97.425 of the statutes is created to read:

97.425 Slaughter of equine animals. (1) No person may slaughter an equine animal for human consumption.

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4 (2) No person may slaughter an equine animal at an establishment, as defined 5 in s. 97.42 (1) (d).

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(END)