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Proposed Initiative 2013-2014 #98

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Colorado Secretary of State

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In the constitution of the state of Colorado, **add** section 17 to article XVIII as follows:

Section 17. Protection of and prevention of cruelty to livestock animals. (1) **Use of accepted animal husbandry practice is not a negation.** NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY, IT IS NOT A NEGATION TO THE ELEMENTS OF THE OFFENSES LISTED IN PART 2 OF ARTICLE 9 OF TITLE 18, C.R.S., THAT A LIVESTOCK OR COMPANION ANIMAL WAS TREATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ACCEPTED ANIMAL HUSBANDRY PRACTICE.

(2) **Effective date.** All provisions of this section are effective upon official declaration of the vote hereon by proclamation of the governor, pursuant to section 1(4) of article V of the constitution of the state of Colorado.

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