

**CHAPTER 24****( HB 111 )**

AN ACT relating to on-farm animal health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 257 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) *Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the determination and implementation of any on-farm animal health care or animal health production practice shall be made solely by a farmer or owner of the livestock or poultry. A farmer or owner of the livestock or poultry may consult with a veterinarian as defined in KRS 321.181 or any other professional at his or her discretion.*
- (2) *This section shall not apply to any owner of an equine or any equine operation.*
- (3) *This section shall not be construed to limit, preclude, or otherwise restrict any state or federal official from carrying out his or her official duties.*

**Signed by Governor April 3, 2026.**