

**BEEF INDUSTRY COMMISSION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 291 of 1972**

**287.602 Definitions.**

Sec. 2.

As used in this act:

(a) "Cattle" means ruminating and nonruminating bovine animals sold for slaughter, ruminating and nonruminating bovine animals produced in this state to be fed for slaughter, and ruminating and nonruminating bovine animals to be fed for slaughter and sold in this state more than 30 days after arrival in this state.

(b) "Commission" means the state beef industry commission.

(c) "Department" means the state department of agriculture.

(d) "Person" means a natural person, partnership, corporation, company, association, society, or trust, or other business unit or organization.

(e) "Market agency" means a person, including a producer, who sells, offers for sale, markets, distributes, trades, or processes cattle which have been purchased or acquired from a producer or other, or which is marketed on behalf of a producer, and includes meat packing firms and their agents which purchase or consign to purchase cattle. The owner or operator of a livestock sales yard is the exclusive market agency for sales made at that yard.

(f) "Producer" means a person who raises or feeds cattle for market.

(g) "Director" means the director of the state department of agriculture.

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