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The Committee on Agriculture (Bennett) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 1, lines 16-18, delete those lines

and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 474.203, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (9) is added to that section, to read:

474.203 Exemptions.--This chapter shall not apply to:

(5)(a) Any person, or the person's regular employee, administering to the ills or injuries of her or his own animals, including, but not limited to, castration, spaying, and dehorning of herd animals, unless title has been transferred or employment provided for the purpose of circumventing this law. This exemption shall not apply to out-of-state veterinarians practicing temporarily in the state. However, only a veterinarian may immunize or treat an animal for diseases which are communicable to humans and which are of public health significance.

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1 (b) A person hired on a part-time or temporary basis,
2 or as an independent contractor, by the owner of an animal or
3 a herd or flock of animals to assist with herd-management and
4 animal-husbandry tasks for herd and flock animals, including
5 castration, dehorning, parasite control, and debeaking, or to
6 provide manual hand floating of teeth or farriery of equines.

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10 And the title is amended as follows:

11 On page 1, line 3, after the semicolon,

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13 insert:

14 providing that ch. 474, F.S., relating to
15 veterinary medical practice, does not apply to
16 a part-time worker or an independent contractor
17 who is hired by the owner of an animal or a
18 herd or flock of animals to provide certain
19 services concerning such animal, herd, or
20 flock;

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