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LEGISLATIVE BILL 229

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Committee: Agriculture

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to weights and measures; to amend section
- 2 89-197, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018; to prohibit
- 3 certain unlawful acts as prescribed; and to repeal the original
- 4 section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 89-197, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

- 2 2018, is amended to read:
- 3 89-197 It shall be unlawful for any person to:
- 4 (1) Use in commerce any weighing and measuring device which is not
- 5 correct;
- 6 (2) Remove any tag, seal, or mark of a stop-use, stop-sale, hold, or
- 7 removal order issued by the department from any weighing and measuring
- 8 device or commodity without specific written authorization from the
- 9 department;
- 10 (3) Fail to report to the department when any tag, seal, or mark of
- 11 a stop-use, stop-sale, hold, or removal order issued by the department
- 12 has been removed from any weighing and measuring device or commodity
- 13 without specific written authorization from the department if such person
- 14 operates a weighing and measuring establishment and knows or has reason
- 15 to know the tag, seal, or mark has been removed;
- 16 (4) Hinder, obstruct, or refuse to assist the director in the
- 17 performance of his or her duties;
- 18 (5) Maintain or have in his or her possession any commercial
- 19 weighing and measuring device that has not been registered and inspected
- 20 in accordance with the provisions of the Weights and Measures Act;
- 21 (6) Sell or keep for sale less than the quantity he or she
- 22 represents of a commodity;
- 23 (7) Take more than the quantity he or she represents of a commodity
- 24 when, as buyer, he or she furnishes the weight or measure by means of
- 25 which the amount of the commodity is determined;
- 26 (8) Operate any weighing and measuring establishment without a valid
- 27 permit, while the permit is suspended, or after the permit has been
- 28 revoked if a permit is required by the act;
- 29 (9) Determine a gross weight and tare weight to arrive at a net
- 30 weight by the use in commerce of different weighing and measuring devices
- 31 that in combination will not meet the absolute value of maintenance

- 1 tolerance;
- 2 (10) Falsify in any manner, by any means, or by or through a
- 3 representative a recorded representation or documentation from any
- 4 weighing and measuring device or any representation or delivery ticket of
- 5 a commodity bought or sold by weight, measure, or count;
- 6 (11) Use any commercial weighing and measuring device in a
- 7 commercial application unless a Certificate of Conformance has been
- 8 issued for such device unless exempt in section 89-186.01;
- 9 (12) Sell any weighing and measuring device for use in a commercial
- 10 application unless a Certificate of Conformance has been issued for such
- devices unless exempt in section 89-186.01;
- 12 (13) Use, add to, or modify a commercial weighing and measuring
- 13 device in any way which makes the device not correct unless such change
- 14 has been authorized by the director as provided for in the act;
- 15 (14) Misrepresent the price of any commodity kept for sale or sold
- 16 by weight, measure, or count or represent the price in any manner
- 17 calculated or tending to mislead or in any way deceive a person;
- 18 (15) Misrepresent the quantity of any commodity kept for sale or
- 19 sold or represent the quantity in any manner calculated or tending to
- 20 mislead or in any way deceive a person;
- 21 (16) Fail to pay all fees as prescribed by the act and the rules and
- 22 regulations adopted and promulgated pursuant to the act;
- 23 (17) Refuse to keep and make available for examination by the
- 24 department all books, papers, and other information necessary for the
- 25 enforcement of the act;—or
- 26 (18) Use commercial weighing and measuring devices not in accordance
- 27 with rules and regulations adopted and promulgated by the director
- 28 pursuant to subdivision (3)(d) of section 89-187; or -
- 29 (19) Advertise an automotive spark ignition engine fuel that is not
- 30 available at all fueling positions without showing the price and fueling
- 31 position where such fuel is available in equal time and in equal size,

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1 <u>letter type, and wattage on any signs of the fueling station where such</u>

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- 2 <u>fuel is available. Each fueling position shall be clearly marked and</u>
- 3 <u>identified to match the advertised information.</u>
- 4 Sec. 2. Original section 89-197, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 5 Supplement, 2018, is repealed.