## NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1969 SESSION

## CHAPTER 184 SENATE BILL 167

## AN ACT REWRITING G.S. 106-564.3 RELATING TO ASSESSMENTS ON CATTLE SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR ASSESSMENTS ON ALL CATTLE SOLD.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

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**Section 1.** G.S. 106-564.3 is rewritten in its entirety to read as follows:

7 "As an alternative method for the collection of assessments provided for in Article 50 of Chapter 106 of the General Statutes, as amended, and as the same relates to all cattle, including 8 those cattle sold for slaughter, upon the request of the duly certified agency of the producers of 9 10 all cattle, including those which are to be sold for slaughter, the Commissioner of Agriculture 11 shall notify, by registered letter, all livestock auction markets, slaughterhouses, abattoirs, 12 packing houses, and any and all persons, firms and corporations, engaged in the buying, selling or handling of cattle in this State, and on and after the date specified in the letter, the 13 14 assessments approved and in force under said referendum shall be deducted by the purchaser, 15 or his agent or representative, from the purchase price of all cattle bought, acquired or sold. It shall be unlawful for any livestock auction market, slaughterhouse, abattoir, packing house or 16 17 the administrators or managers or agents of same or for any person, firm or corporation to 18 acquire, buy or sell any cattle, including cattle for slaughter, without deducting the assessments 19 previously authorized by said referendum. The assessment or assessments for any month so 20 deducted, shall, on or before the 20th day of the following month, be remitted by such 21 purchaser as above described, to the Commissioner of Agriculture of North Carolina, who shall 22 thereupon pay the amount of the assessments to the duly certified agency of the producers of all 23 such cattle entitled thereto. The books and records of all such livestock auction markets, 24 slaughterhouses, abattoirs, packing houses, or persons, firms or corporations engaged in 25 buying, acquiring or selling all cattle shall at all times during regular business hours be open for 26 inspection by the Commissioner of Agriculture or his duly authorized agents. Provided, 27 however, that if any livestock auction market, slaughterhouse, abattoir, packing house, or any 28 person, firm or corporation engaged in buying, selling or handling cattle in this State shall fail 29 to collect or pay such assessments so deducted to the Commissioner of Agriculture of North 30 Carolina, as herein provided, then and in such event suit may be brought by the duly certified 31 agency concerned in a court of competent jurisdiction to enforce the collection of such 32 assessments."

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- Sec. 2. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.
- **Sec. 3.** This Act shall become effective upon ratification.
- In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 7th day of April, 1969.