

HB 2720 -- LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION CONTRACTS

SPONSOR: McCreery

This bill prohibits any contractor from enforcing a provision in a livestock production contract that specifies that the information contained in the contract is confidential. The confidentiality provision is void whether it is express or implied, oral or written, required or conditional, or contained in the production contract, another production contract, or in a related document, policy, or agreement. A production contract is executed when it is signed or orally agreed to by each party or a person authorized to act on a party's behalf. This bill does not require a party to a production contract to divulge the information in the contract to another person.

The Attorney General's Office is the primary agency responsible for enforcing the prohibition on confidentiality provisions. A contractor who executes a production contract that includes a confidentiality provision is guilty of a misdemeanor.