

House Bill 827

By: Representatives Smith of the 18th, Dickey of the 145th, Pirkle of the 169th, Leverett of the 123rd, Hagan of the 156th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 16-8-20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 livestock theft, so as to provide for increased penalties; to provide for related matters; to
3 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 **SECTION 1.**

6 Code Section 16-8-20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to livestock theft,
7 is amended by revising subsection (c) as follows:

8 "(c) Any person committing the offense of livestock theft ~~commits~~ shall be guilty of a
9 felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than
10 ~~one two~~ nor more than ~~ten~~ fifteen years and by a fine of ~~\$1,000.00~~ \$10,000.00; provided,
11 however, that, if the fair market value of the livestock taken or appropriated is \$100.00 or
12 less, the person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature."

13 **SECTION 2.**

14 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.