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Summary of House Bill 1151

1. Reaffirms the effectiveness of WSDA's existing animal disease-control programs and its authority to control and eradicate such diseases
2. Reaffirms WSDA's authority to oversee brand registration, brand inspections and animal identification required by existing disease-control programs
3. Protects farmers from any discrimination, or retaliation, regarding their participation or non-participation, in the NAIS or any similar program
4. Preserves farmers' rights to participate in, or withdraw from the NAIS or any similar program, and to have any information expunged upon withdrawal
5. Reserves to the private sector the right to establish and participate in voluntary registration systems for premises, animals and their movement
6. Bars WSDA from having any role, or participation, in the NAIS or any similar program used for the registration of premises and/or identification and/or tracking of animals
7. Cancels all NAIS-related, USDA-funded "Cooperative Agreements", or any similar contracts, WSDA has entered into, and prohibits the use of public funds for any such purposes