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**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

(1) Cruelty to livestock is subject to the penalties provided in Texas Penal Code Section 42.09.

### § 3-2-8 TRAINING AND CONTROL OF ANIMALS

- (A) A person may not train or control an animal by the use of a baseball bat, axe handle, pitchfork, bull hook or device of similar design for similar purpose.
- (B) A person who trains or controls an animal as set forth in Subsection (A) commits a violation.
- (C) It is an affirmative defense to prosecution that the animal is livestock as defined in City Code Section 3-1-1 (*Definitions*) and is not being treated cruelly in the manner prohibited by Texas Penal Code Section 42.09.

**PART 3.** This ordinance takes effect on \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

**PASSED AND APPROVED**

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\_\_\_\_\_, 2022

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Steve Adler

Mayor

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_

Anne L. Morgan  
City Attorney

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

Myrna Rios  
City Clerk