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Testing Requirements Changed for Breeding Swine **Sold at TX Livestock Show & Fairs**

AUSTIN - The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) state veterinarian Dr. Dee Ellis is announcing a partial variance to agency rules related to the Brucellosis and Pseudorabies testing of breeding swine. Breeding swine are defined as swine that are six months of age or older and are sexually mature, intact animals. The TAHC will no longer require the testing of breeding swine sold (or any change of ownership) as part of a sale affiliated with an established livestock show or fair. This decision is based on sound epidemiological principles which indicate this class of animal is at very low risk of infection by either disease mentioned above. Change of ownership testing is still required and will be enforced for private treaty and livestock market sales of breeding swine.