

**§3950-B. Euthanasia for severely sick or severely injured livestock**

**1. Written authorization.** A humane agent, animal control officer or animal shelter may authorize in writing the euthanasia of severely sick or severely injured livestock under the following conditions:

A. The clerk or animal control officer of the municipality in which the livestock was found has been notified of the livestock's presence and a reasonable attempt to contact the owner of the livestock has been made; and [PL 2019, c. 437, §3 (NEW).]

B. A veterinarian states in writing that given reasonable time and reasonable care the livestock's recovery from the livestock's sickness or injury is doubtful. [PL 2019, c. 437, §3 (NEW).]  
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**2. Immediate euthanasia.** Notwithstanding subsection 1, paragraphs A and B, a veterinarian may authorize immediate euthanasia if, in the veterinarian's judgment, there is no possibility of recovery for severely sick or severely injured livestock.

[PL 2019, c. 437, §3 (NEW).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 2019, c. 437, §3 (NEW).

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