Q: Gotta love those penguins, but recording the monthly weights for the colony takes so much time. Is there is an easy way?

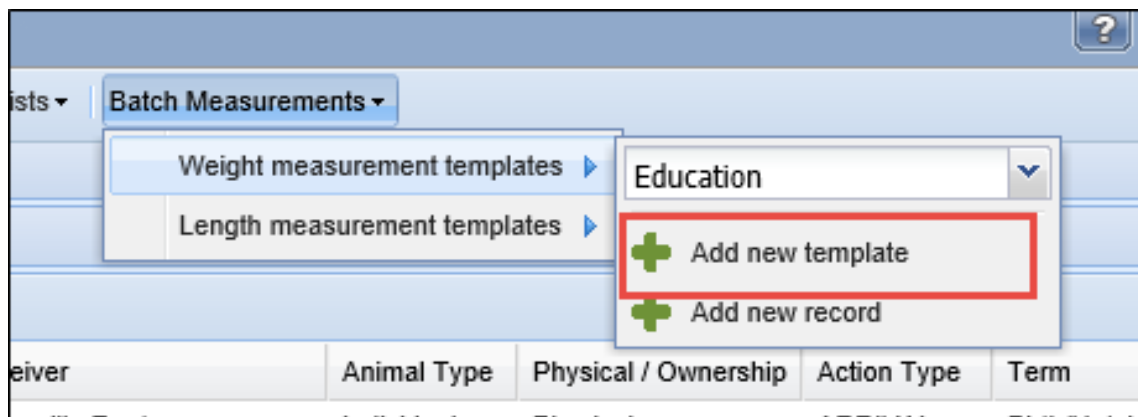## A: Create a Measurement Template for the colony!

Name the template so it is easy to find, assign the animals and record what measurements you want to capture. When you select the template the animals prefill and all you have to record is the measurement. If measurements aren't taken on all animals in the template that is OK with ZIMS. You can also create Measurement Templates for Lengths so if your penguins have chicks you can easily record various lengths of multiple animals quickly. Now you can go watch your penguins' antics with the time you've saved!

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◄From within the Animal module select Batch Measurements > Weight Measurement Template > Add New Template

▲Name the template, select the animals and select the measurement desired.

◄To use the template select Add New Record and find the correct template in the Template Name dropdown.

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