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SENATE BILL No. 339

May 19, 2015, Introduced by Senator BIEDA and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A bill to amend 1969 PA 287, entitled

"An act to regulate pet shops, animal control shelters, and animal protection shelters; to establish uniform procedures and minimum requirements for adoption of dogs, cats, and ferrets; and to prescribe penalties and civil fines and to provide remedies,"

by amending sections 1, 2, 5a, 6, 7, and 9 (MCL 287.331, 287.332, 287.335a, 287.336, 287.337, and 287.339), sections 1, 6, 7, and 9 as amended by 1997 PA 7 and section 5a as added by 1980 PA 214, and by adding section 9c.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 1. As used in this act:

(a) "Adoption" means a transfer of ownership, with or without remuneration, of a dog, cat, or ferret from an animal control shelter or animal protection shelter to an individual for the purpose of being a companion animal for that individual. As used in this subdivision, a companion animal includes but is not limited to

- 1 a dog that is used for hunting or as a guard dog.
- 2 (b) "Alteration" means a professional sterilization procedure
- 3 performed by a veterinarian that renders a dog, cat, or ferret
- 4 incapable of reproducing.
- 5 (c) "Altered", in reference to a dog, cat, or ferret, means
- 6 having undergone alteration.
- 7 (d) "Animal" means a mammal except livestock as **THAT TERM IS**
- 8 defined in **SECTION 1 OF** 1937 PA 284, MCL 287.121, to 287.131, and
- 9 rodents.
- 10 (e) "Animal control shelter" means a facility operated by a
- 11 municipality for the impoundment and care of animals that are found
- 12 in the streets or at large, animals that are otherwise held due to
- 13 the violation of a municipal ordinance or state law, or animals
- 14 that are surrendered to the animal control shelter.
- 15 (f) "Animal protection shelter" means a facility operated by a
- 16 person, humane society, society for the prevention of cruelty to
- 17 animals, or any other nonprofit organization for the care of
- 18 homeless animals.
- 19 (g) "Cat" means a domestic cat of any age of the species felis
- 20 FELIS catus.
- (h) "Department" means the state department of agriculture AND
- 22 RURAL DEVELOPMENT.
- 23 (i) "Director" means the director of the department or his or
- 24 her authorized representative.
- 25 (j) "Dog" means a domestic dog of any age of the species canis
- 26 CANIS familiaris.
- 27 (k) "Ferret" means an animal of any age of the species mustela

- 1 MUSTELA furo.
- 2 (l) "Health certificate" means a certificate in a form
- 3 prescribed by the department in which a veterinarian attests to the
- 4 age, sex, breed, and description of an animal, and to the fact that
- 5 at the time of preparation of the certificate, the veterinarian
- 6 examined the animal and found the animal free from visual evidence
- 7 of communicable disease.
- 8 (1) "INTACT DOG" MEANS A DOG THAT HAS NOT BEEN ALTERED.
- 9 (M) "LARGE-SCALE DOG BREEDING KENNEL" MEANS A FACILITY WHERE
- 10 MORE THAN 15 FEMALE INTACT DOGS OVER THE AGE OF 4 MONTHS ARE HOUSED
- 11 OR KEPT FOR THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF BREEDING.
- 12 (N) (m) "Municipality" means a county, city, village, or
- 13 township.
- 14 (O) (n) "Person" means an individual, partnership,
- 15 corporation, association, governmental entity, or other legal
- 16 entity.
- 17 (P) "PET HEALTH CERTIFICATE" MEANS A CERTIFICATE IN A FORM
- 18 PRESCRIBED BY THE DIRECTOR IN WHICH A VETERINARIAN ATTESTS TO THE
- 19 AGE, SEX, BREED, AND DESCRIPTION OF AN ANIMAL; ANY MEDICAL
- 20 CONDITIONS OF THE ANIMAL; ANY MEDICAL TREATMENT AND VACCINATIONS
- 21 THAT THE ANIMAL RECEIVED WHILE UNDER THE CONTROL OF A PET SHOP OR
- 22 LARGE-SCALE COMMERCIAL DOG BREEDING KENNEL; AND TO THE FACT THAT AT
- 23 THE TIME OF THE PREPARATION OF THE CERTIFICATE THE VETERINARIAN
- 24 EXAMINED THE ANIMAL AND FOUND THE ANIMAL FREE FROM VISUAL EVIDENCE
- 25 OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE.
- 26 (Q) (O) "Pet shop" means a place where animals are sold or
- 27 offered for sale, exchange, or transfer.

- 1 (R) (p) "Veterinarian" means a person licensed to practice
- 2 veterinary medicine under article 15 of the public health code,
- 3 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16101 to 333.18838.
- 4 Sec. 2. (1) The agriculture department shall issue MAY
- 5 PROMULGATE rules to accomplish the purposes of this act and to
- 6 establish minimum standards for THE housing, care, and handling of
- 7 animals to insure the humane care and handling of animals. THE
- 8 DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO PROMULGATE RULES TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM STANDARDS
- 9 FOR LARGE-SCALE DOG BREEDING KENNELS. The rules shall be
- 10 promulgated in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 88 of the
- 11 Public Acts of 1943, as amended, being sections 24.71 to 24.80 of
- 12 the Compiled Laws of 1948, and subject to Act No. 197 of the Public
- 13 Acts of 1952, as amended, being sections 24.101 to 24.110 of the
- 14 Compiled Laws of 1948. THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969,
- 15 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO 24.328.
- 16 (2) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, UNTIL THE
- 17 DEPARTMENT PROMULGATES RULES UNDER SUBSECTION (1), A LARGE-SCALE
- 18 DOG BREEDING KENNEL IS SUBJECT TO R 285.151.1 TO R 285.151.41 OF
- 19 THE MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE. NOTWITHSTANDING R 285.151.25 OF
- 20 THE MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, IN A LARGE-SCALE BREEDING KENNEL,
- 21 A FEMALE DOG IN ESTRUS MAY BE HOUSED WITH INTACT MALE DOGS FOR THE
- 22 PURPOSE OF BREEDING.
- Sec. 5a. (1) A person who operates a pet shop shall not do any
- 24 of the following:
- 25 (a) Import IMPORT or cause to be imported into this state 7 or
- 26 offer for sale or resale, a dog or cat THAT IS less than 8 weeks
- 27 old. A PERSON WHO OPERATES AN ANIMAL CONTROL SHELTER OR AN ANIMAL

- 1 PROTECTION SHELTER SHALL NOT IMPORT OR CAUSE TO BE IMPORTED INTO
- 2 THIS STATE A DOG OR CAT THAT IS LESS THAN 8 WEEKS OLD UNLESS THE
- 3 DOG OR CAT IS IMPORTED WITH ITS DAM. A LARGE-SCALE DOG BREEDING
- 4 KENNEL SHALL NOT IMPORT OR CAUSE TO BE IMPORTED INTO THIS STATE A
- 5 DOG THAT IS LESS THAN 8 WEEKS OLD UNLESS THE DOG IS IMPORTED WITH
- 6 ITS DAM.
- 7 (b) Import or cause to be imported into this state, or offer
- 8 for sale or resale, a dog or cat unless the dog or cat has
- 9 deciduous (baby) teeth visibly present.
- 10 (2) (c) Sell or offer for sale A PERSON WHO OPERATES A PET
- 11 SHOP SHALL NOT SELL, EXCHANGE, TRANSFER, OR OFFER FOR SALE,
- 12 EXCHANGE, OR TRANSFER A DOG OR CAT THAT IS LESS THAN 8 WEEKS OLD. A
- 13 LARGE-SCALE DOG BREEDING KENNEL SHALL NOT SELL, EXCHANGE, TRANSFER,
- 14 OR OFFER FOR SALE, EXCHANGE, OR TRANSFER A DOG THAT IS LESS THAN 8
- 15 WEEKS OLD.
- 16 (3) A PERSON WHO OPERATES A PET SHOP, AN ANIMAL CONTROL
- 17 SHELTER, AN ANIMAL PROTECTION SHELTER, OR A LARGE-SCALE DOG
- 18 BREEDING KENNEL SHALL NOT IMPORT OR CAUSE TO BE IMPORTED INTO THIS
- 19 STATE, OR SELL, ADOPT, EXCHANGE, OR TRANSFER, OR OFFER FOR SALE,
- 20 ADOPTION, EXCHANGE, OR TRANSFER a dog, unless the ALL OF THE
- 21 FOLLOWING ARE SATISFIED BEFORE THE DOG'S ENTRY INTO THIS STATE:
- 22 (A) THE dog has been inoculated VACCINATED against distemper,
- 23 hepatitis, and leptospirosis, para influenza and, if PARVOVIRUS,
- 24 AND CANINE ADENOVIRUS-2. THE DOG SHALL ALSO BE VACCINATED AGAINST
- 25 RABIES AND LEPTOSPIROSIS IF THE DOG IS 12 WEEKS OF AGE OR OLDER. IF
- 26 A RABIES VACCINE IS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION, THE VACCINE
- 27 SHALL BE ADMINISTERED BY A VETERINARIAN. IF THE PERSON OPERATES A

- 1 PET SHOP OR IF THE PERSON IS A LARGE-SCALE DOG BREEDING KENNEL, THE
- 2 PERSON SHALL ADMINISTER VACCINATIONS OTHER THAN THE RABIES
- 3 VACCINATION TO THE DOG AS REQUIRED BY THIS SUBDIVISION NOT LESS
- 4 THAN 7 DAYS BEFORE THE DOG'S ENTRY INTO THIS STATE. THE DIRECTOR
- 5 MAY REQUIRE VACCINATIONS AGAINST OTHER DISEASES NOT SPECIFIED IN
- 6 THIS SUBDIVISION.
- 7 (B) IF indicated, THE DOG has been treated for external and
- 8 internal parasites , not less than 7 days before the dog's entry
- 9 into this state. SO THAT THE DOG IS NOT CAPABLE OF SPREADING
- 10 EXTERNAL OR INTERNAL PARASITES TO ANOTHER ANIMAL AT THE TIME IT IS
- 11 IMPORTED INTO THIS STATE.
- 12 (C) The dog shall be IS accompanied by a AN INTERSTATE health
- 13 certificate OR CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION FILLED OUT AND
- 14 signed by a AN ACCREDITED veterinarian LICENSED TO PRACTICE
- 15 VETERINARY MEDICINE IN THE DOG'S STATE OF ORIGIN, including records
- 16 of the dog's medication and immunization.
- 17 (4) (d) Sell or offer for sale A PERSON WHO OPERATES A PET
- 18 SHOP, AN ANIMAL CONTROL SHELTER, OR AN ANIMAL PROTECTION SHELTER
- 19 SHALL NOT IMPORT OR CAUSE TO BE IMPORTED INTO THIS STATE, OR SELL,
- 20 ADOPT, EXCHANGE, OR TRANSFER, OR OFFER FOR SALE, ADOPTION,
- 21 EXCHANGE, OR TRANSFER a cat, unless the ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ARE
- 22 SATISFIED BEFORE THE CAT'S ENTRY INTO THIS STATE:
- 23 (A) THE cat has been inoculated VACCINATED against feline
- 24 panleukopenia, (cat distemper), rinotraecheitis and calici viruses,
- 25 and, if AND FELINE HERPES VIRUS-1. THE CAT SHALL ALSO BE VACCINATED
- 26 AGAINST RABIES IF THE CAT IS 12 WEEKS OF AGE OR OLDER. IF A RABIES
- 27 VACCINE IS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION, THE VACCINE SHALL BE

- 1 ADMINISTERED BY A VETERINARIAN. IF THE PERSON OPERATES A PET SHOP,
- 2 THE PERSON SHALL ADMINISTER VACCINATIONS OTHER THAN THE RABIES
- 3 VACCINATION TO THE CAT AS REQUIRED BY THIS SUBDIVISION NOT LESS
- 4 THAN 7 DAYS BEFORE THE CAT'S ENTRY INTO THIS STATE. THE DIRECTOR
- 5 MAY REQUIRE VACCINATIONS AGAINST OTHER DISEASES NOT SPECIFIED IN
- 6 THIS SUBDIVISION.
- 7 (B) IF indicated, THE CAT has been treated for external and
- 8 internal parasites , not less than 7 days prior to the cat's entry
- 9 into this state. SO THAT THE CAT IS NOT CAPABLE OF SPREADING
- 10 EXTERNAL OR INTERNAL PARASITES TO ANOTHER ANIMAL AT THE TIME IT IS
- 11 IMPORTED INTO THIS STATE.
- 12 (C) The cat shall be IS accompanied by a AN INTERSTATE health
- 13 certificate OR CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION FILLED OUT AND
- 14 signed by a—AN ACCREDITED veterinarian LICENSED TO PRACTICE
- 15 VETERINARY MEDICINE IN THE CAT'S STATE OF ORIGIN, including records
- 16 of the cat's medication and immunization.
- 17 (5) (e) Sell A PERSON WHO OPERATES A PET SHOP OR A LARGE-SCALE
- 18 DOG BREEDING KENNEL SHALL NOT SELL, EXCHANGE, TRANSFER, or deliver
- 19 a dog, or cat, OR FERRET without providing to the purchaser a VALID
- 20 PET health certificate. signed by a veterinarian licensed by this
- 21 state, for the dog or cat. The certificate shall include a health
- 22 record indicating the date and type of vaccinations which have been
- 23 given to the dog or cat. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, A PET
- 24 HEALTH CERTIFICATE IS ONLY VALID FOR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THE
- 25 ANIMAL WAS EXAMINED BY THE VETERINARIAN WHO SIGNED THE CERTIFICATE.
- 26 (6) A PERSON SHALL NOT OPERATE A LARGE-SCALE DOG BREEDING
- 27 KENNEL THAT HOUSES OR KEEPS MORE THAN 50 INTACT FEMALE DOGS OVER

- 1 THE AGE OF 4 MONTHS IN ANY 1 PHYSICAL LOCATION.
- 2 Sec. 6. (1) A municipality shall not operate an animal control
- 3 shelter unless the animal control shelter is registered with the
- 4 department.
- 5 (2) A society for the prevention of cruelty to animals —or
- 6 any other person —shall not operate an animal protection shelter
- 7 unless the shelter is registered with the department.
- 8 (3) A PERSON SHALL NOT OPERATE A LARGE-SCALE DOG BREEDING
- 9 KENNEL UNLESS THE LARGE-SCALE DOG BREEDING KENNEL IS REGISTERED
- 10 WITH THE DEPARTMENT.
- 11 (4) THIS ACT IS NOT INTENDED TO APPLY TO A DOG OWNER OR
- 12 BREEDER THAT HOUSES 15 OR FEWER INTACT FEMALE DOGS.
- Sec. 7. Application for registration of an animal control
- 14 shelter, or AN animal protection shelter, OR A LARGE-SCALE DOG
- 15 BREEDING KENNEL shall be on forms approved A FORM PRESCRIBED by the
- 16 department.DIRECTOR.
- 17 Sec. 9. (1) The EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS
- 18 SUBSECTION, THE licensing and registration requirements of this act
- 19 do not apply to a person who breeds his or her own animals or to a
- 20 person subject to 1969 PA 224, MCL 287.381 to 287.395. THE
- 21 LICENSING AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ACT APPLY TO A
- 22 LARGE-SCALE DOG BREEDING KENNEL.
- 23 (2) Subsection (1) does not create an exemption from
- 24 vaccination and licensing requirements under the dog law of 1919,
- 25 1919 PA 339, MCL 287.261 to 287.290, or from vaccination and
- 26 handling requirements under 1994 PA 358, MCL 287.891 to 287.901.
- 27 (3) This act does not require the alteration of a dog, cat, or

- 1 ferret being reclaimed from an animal control shelter or animal
- 2 protection shelter by its owner unless a local governmental
- 3 GOVERNMENT ordinance requires the alteration.
- 4 SEC. 9C. (1) A LARGE-SCALE DOG BREEDING KENNEL SHALL MAINTAIN
- 5 CURRENT VERIFIABLE RECORDS FOR A PERIOD OF AT LEAST 2 YEARS. THE
- 6 RECORDS SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
- 7 (A) THE VERIFIED NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON FROM WHOM THE
- 8 DOG WAS ACQUIRED, WHERE THE DOG WAS ACQUIRED, AND THE DATE THAT THE
- 9 DOG WAS ACQUIRED.
- 10 (B) A DESCRIPTION AND IDENTIFICATION OF THE DOG, INCLUDING THE
- 11 DOG'S IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION, COLOR, BREED, SEX, ALTERATION
- 12 STATUS, AND APPROXIMATE WEIGHT AND AGE.
- 13 (C) THE DATE AND METHOD OF DISPOSITION OF THE DOG. IF THE DOG
- 14 IS ADOPTED, TRANSFERRED, OR SOLD, THE RECORDS SHALL ALSO INCLUDE
- 15 THE VERIFIED NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON TO WHOM THE DOG IS
- 16 ADOPTED, TRANSFERRED, OR SOLD.
- 17 (D) THE NUMBER OF DOGS ON SITE DAILY AT EACH PHYSICAL
- 18 LOCATION.
- 19 (E) THE NUMBER OF INTACT BREEDING ADULT FEMALE DOGS ON SITE
- 20 DAILY AT EACH PHYSICAL LOCATION.
- 21 (2) A LARGE-SCALE DOG BREEDING KENNEL SHALL MAKE THE RECORDS
- 22 REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) AVAILABLE TO THE DIRECTOR OR HIS OR
- 23 HER REPRESENTATIVE ON REQUEST.