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HOUSE BILL No. 5263

September 25, 2007, Introduced by Rep. Young and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1969 PA 224, entitled

"An act to license and regulate dealers in and research facilities using dogs and cats for research purposes; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts,"

by amending sections 1, 8, and 9 (MCL 287.381, 287.388, and 287.389).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. When AS used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Person" includes any individual, partnership,
- 3 association, or corporation.
- 4 (b) "Director" means the director of the department of
- 5 agriculture.
 - (c) "Cat" means any live domestic cat (felis catus) OF THE
 - SPECIES FELIS CATUS for use or intended to be used for research,
- 8 tests, or experiments at A research facilities—FACILITY.

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- 1 (d) "Dog" means any live dog of the species canis familiaris
- 2 for use or intended to be used for research, tests, or experiments
- 3 at A research facilities FACILITY.
- 4 (e) "Research facility" means any school, hospital,
- 5 laboratory, institution, organization, or person that uses or
- 6 intends to use dogs or cats in research, tests, or experiments, and
- 7 that (1) purchases DOES 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 8 (i) PURCHASES or transports such animals. , or (2) receives
- 9 (ii) RECEIVES any funds from the THIS state or A local
- 10 government or any agency or instrumentality thereof OF THIS STATE
- 11 OR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT to finance its operations by means of grants,
- 12 loans, or otherwise.
- (f) "Dealer" means any A person who for compensation or profit
- 14 delivers for transportation, transports, boards, buys, or sells
- 15 dogs or cats for research purposes and does not mean a person who
- 16 breeds or raises dogs or cats for sale to a research facility.
- 17 (G) "ANIMAL CONTROL SHELTER" AND "ANIMAL PROTECTION SHELTER"
- 18 MEAN THOSE TERMS AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1 OF 1969 PA 287, MCL
- 19 287.331, AND ARE FACILITIES REGISTERED WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF
- 20 AGRICULTURE PURSUANT TO SECTION 6 OF 1969 PA 287, MCL 287.336.
- 21 (H) "RANDOM SOURCE ANIMAL" MEANS A DOG OR CAT OBTAINED FROM AN
- 22 AUCTION SALE OR FROM ANY PERSON WHO DID NOT BREED AND RAISE THE DOG
- 23 OR CAT ON THE PERSON'S PREMISES.
- Sec. 8. A dealer, a county, city, village, or township
- 25 operating a dog pound or animal shelter shall not sell or otherwise
- 26 dispose of a dog or cat within 4 days after its acquisition. If the
- 27 dog or cat has a collar, license, or other evidence of ownership,

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- 1 the operator of the pound or shelter shall notify the owner in
- 2 writing and disposition of the animal shall not be made within 7
- 3 days from the date of mailing the notice. Each operator of a pound
- 4 or shelter shall be required to maintain a record on each
- 5 identifiable dog or cat acquired, indicating a basic description of
- 6 the animal, the date it was acquired and under what circumstances.
- 7 The record shall also indicate the date of notice sent to the owner
- 8 of an animal and subsequent disposition.
- 9 This section does not apply to animals which are sick or
- 10 injured to the extent that the holding period would cause undue
- 11 suffering, or to animals whose owners request immediate disposal.
- 12 (1) A PERSON SHALL NOT DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 13 (A) PURCHASE OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRE A RANDOM SOURCE ANIMAL FOR
- 14 THE PURPOSE OF RESALE FOR EXPERIMENTATION.
- 15 (B) SELL OR OTHERWISE MAKE AVAILABLE A RANDOM SOURCE ANIMAL
- 16 FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPERIMENTATION.
- 17 (2) SUBSECTION (1) APPLIES REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE PERSON IS
- 18 LICENSED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO PURCHASE
- 19 AND RESELL RANDOM SOURCE ANIMALS.
- 20 Sec. 9. (1) Dogs and cats shall not be offered for sale or
- 21 sold to a research facility at public auction or by weight; or
- 22 purchased by a research facility A PERSON SHALL NOT SELL OR OFFER
- 23 TO SELL A DOG OR CAT TO A RESEARCH FACILITY AT PUBLIC AUCTION OR BY
- 24 WEIGHT. A RESEARCH FACILITY SHALL NOT PURCHASE A DOG OR CAT at
- 25 public auction or by weight.
- 26 (2) A research facility shall not purchase any dogs or cats A
- 27 DOG OR CAT except from a licensed dealer , public dog pound, humane

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- 1 society, or from a person who breeds or raises dogs or cats for
- 2 sale. Any county, city, village or township operating a dog pound
- 3 or animal shelter may sell for an amount not to exceed \$10.00 per
- 4 animal or otherwise dispose of unclaimed or unwanted dogs and cats
- 5 to a Michigan research facility.
- 6 (3) A RESEARCH FACILITY OR DEALER SHALL NOT OBTAIN A DOG OR
- 7 CAT FROM AN ANIMAL CONTROL SHELTER OR ANIMAL PROTECTION SHELTER.