

PET SHOPS, DOG POUNDS, AND ANIMAL SHELTERS (EXCERPT)
Act 287 of 1969

287.338c Consideration of individual's criminal history; decision to not allow individual to adopt animal; section to be referred to as "animal adoption protection act."

Sec. 8c. (1) An animal control shelter or animal protection shelter may consider an individual's criminal history when deciding whether to allow that individual to adopt an animal. An animal control shelter or animal protection shelter may choose not to allow an individual who has been convicted of an animal abuse offense to adopt an animal unless a period of at least 5 years has elapsed since the date of his or her conviction. An animal control shelter or animal protection shelter may choose not to allow an individual who is charged with committing an animal abuse offense and enters a plea to any other crime in exchange for dismissal of that charge to adopt an animal.

(2) This section may be referred to as the "animal adoption protection act".

History: Add. 2016, Act 392, Eff. Mar. 29, 2017.