



## Senate

General Assembly

**File No. 110**

*January Session, 2001*

Substitute Senate Bill No. 1126

*Senate, April 3, 2001*

The Committee on Planning and Development reported through SEN. DAILY of the 33rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

### ***AN ACT CONCERNING RURAL AGRICULTURAL LAND USES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 (NEW) No zoning regulation adopted pursuant to chapter 124 of the
- 2 general statutes or any special act shall prohibit the keeping of
- 3 domestic animals for supervised youth agricultural projects sponsored
- 4 by an organization that is exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3)
- 5 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent
- 6 corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time
- 7 to time amended, in any area which is zoned for residential use on lots
- 8 of one or more acres.

**PD**      **JOINT FAVORABLE SUBST.**

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

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***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:***           None

***Affected Agencies:***   None

***Municipal Impact:***   None

**OLR Bill Analysis**

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**AN ACT CONCERNING RURAL AGRICULTURAL LAND USES.****SUMMARY:**

This bill bars municipal zoning regulations from prohibiting keeping domestic animals in residential zones on lots of one or more acres for supervised youth agricultural projects sponsored by nonprofit organizations. It applies to zoning ordinances adopted pursuant to statute or special act.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2001

**SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS**

Sponsoring organizations must be exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the federal Internal Revenue Code. They must be run for purposes stated in the code, including: (1) charitable, (2) religious, (3) scientific, (4) educational, or (5) literary. They cannot participate in political campaigns.

**BACKGROUND*****Domestic Animals***

The law defines domestic animals as sheep, goats, horses, hogs, cattle, poultry, or domestic rabbits and certain animals, such as foxes and mink, raised in captivity by fur breeders. The statutes consider dogs, cats, and other household pets as companion animals.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 17    Nay 1