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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF ANIMALS FROM THE CONNECTICUT HUMANE SOCIETY."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 22-380f of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

5 (a) No pound shall sell or give away any unspayed or unneutered
6 dog or cat to any person unless such pound receives forty-five dollars
7 from the person buying or adopting such dog or cat. Funds received
8 pursuant to this section shall be paid quarterly by the municipality
9 into the animal population control account established under section
10 22-380g. At the time of receipt of such payment, the pound shall
11 provide a voucher, for the purpose of sterilization and vaccination
12 benefits, as provided in section 22-380i, to the person buying or
13 adopting such dog or cat. Such voucher shall be on a form provided by
14 the commissioner and signed by the eligible owner. Such voucher shall

15 become void after sixty days from the date of adoption unless a
16 participating veterinarian certifies that the dog or cat is medically unfit
17 for surgery. Such certification shall be on a form provided by the
18 commissioner and specify a date by which such dog or cat may be fit
19 for sterilization. If the surgery is performed more than thirty days after
20 such specified date, the voucher shall become void. In the case of a dog
21 or cat that has been previously sterilized or is permanently medically
22 unfit for sterilization, as determined by a participating veterinarian,
23 the voucher shall be void and the eligible owner may apply to the
24 commissioner for a refund in the amount of forty-five dollars.

25 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,
26 no pound shall receive forty-five dollars from the Connecticut
27 Humane Society for any unsterilized cat or dog that is given by such
28 pound to the Connecticut Humane Society, provided such cat or dog is
29 sterilized prior to the adoption of such animal from the Connecticut
30 Humane Society. Such sterilization shall not be required if a licensed
31 veterinarian certifies, in writing, that the animal is medically unfit for
32 sterilization surgery.

33 (c) The Connecticut Humane Society shall submit a biannual report
34 to the Animal Population Control Fund that shall include, but not be
35 limited to, the municipal facility from which any animal described in
36 subsection (b) of this section was taken, the impound number of such
37 animal, the species and gender of such animal, the date that the
38 Connecticut Humane Society received the animal and the date of
39 sterilization for such animal.

40 (d) Upon a finding that the Connecticut Humane Society has failed
41 to comply with any provision of subsection (b) or (c) of this section, the
42 Commissioner of Agriculture may terminate the Connecticut Humane
43 Society's exemption from the payment of the forty-five-dollar fee
44 required pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

45 Sec. 2. Section 20-205 of the general statutes is repealed and the
46 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

47 The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to any person in
 48 governmental employ while acting in the scope of his employment,
 49 nor to any person who furnishes medical or surgical assistance without
 50 compensation in an emergency, nor to any veterinarian, licensed in
 51 another state, who is employed as a direct consultant for not more than
 52 ten days during any calendar year with any practitioner licensed in
 53 conformity with the provisions of section 20-197. The provisions of this
 54 chapter shall not apply to any hospital, educational institution or
 55 laboratory or any state or federal institution, or any employee of,
 56 student in or person associated with any such hospital, educational
 57 institution or laboratory or state or federal institution, while engaged
 58 in research or studies involving the use of medical, surgical or dental
 59 procedures, or to the owner of any animal or livestock or his or her
 60 employee while administering to such animal or livestock."

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2003</i>
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2003</i>