



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5027

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:
(ENV)

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF DOGS AND CATS OBTAINED FROM SUBSTANDARD DOMESTIC ANIMAL MILLS.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2013*) (a) For purposes of this
2 section, "substandard domestic animal mill" means any facility: (1)
3 Where dogs or cats are housed in a cage without being allowed daily
4 exercise, (2) where dogs or cats are not maintained in a dry and
5 reasonably clean condition, (3) that does not provide adequate
6 protection for such dogs or cats from the elements, (4) that does not
7 provide clean and potable water for such dogs and cats at all times, (5)
8 that does not provide proper and nutritious food for such dogs or cats,
9 (6) that houses dogs or cats in an enclosure with floors that are not
10 constructed in a manner that protects the dogs' or cats' paws and legs
11 from injury, (7) that houses dogs or cats in an enclosure that does not
12 allow them to turn around freely or to sit, stand or lie down
13 comfortably, or (8) that maintains dogs or cats in an enclosure that is
14 not at least six inches higher than the head height of the tallest dog or
15 cat in such enclosure.

16 (b) No pet shop licensed pursuant to section 22-344 of the general
17 statutes shall sell a dog or cat to the public if such dog or cat was
18 obtained by such pet shop from a substandard domestic animal mill.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2013	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit pet shops from selling dogs and cats obtained from substandard domestic animal mills.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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