



House of Representatives

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House Bill No. 5799

House of Representatives, April 11, 2013

The Committee on Environment reported through REP. GENTILE of the 104th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT REQUIRING PET BOARDING FACILITIES AND KENNELS TO DISPLAY THEIR LICENSE NUMBER ON ALL FORMS OF ADVERTISING.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 22-344 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
3 *passage*):

4 (a) (1) No person shall maintain a commercial kennel until he has
5 obtained from the commissioner a license to maintain such kennel
6 under such regulations as the commissioner provides as to sanitation,
7 disease and humane treatment of dogs or cats and the protection of the
8 public safety. Upon written application and the payment of a fee of
9 two hundred dollars, the commissioner shall issue such license to be
10 effective until the ensuing December thirty-first provided the
11 commissioner finds [(1)] (A) that such regulations have been complied
12 with, and [(2)] (B) in the case of each initial application for such license,
13 that the zoning enforcement official of the municipality wherein such

14 kennel is to be maintained has certified that the kennel conforms to the
 15 municipal zoning regulations. Such license shall be renewed annually,
 16 not later than December thirty-first, in accordance with the provisions
 17 of this section, and may be transferred by the licensee to another
 18 premises upon approval of the commissioner.

19 (2) Any person who maintains a commercial kennel and who
 20 advertises the services of such commercial kennel shall cause the
 21 license number for such commercial kennel, as issued pursuant to this
 22 section, to clearly appear in such advertisement. The commissioner
 23 may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to prescribe the
 24 requirements for the appearance of the license number of a commercial
 25 kennel in any form of advertisement. Such regulation may include, but
 26 need not be limited to, the size, font and location of such license
 27 number for any given form of advertisement.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
| Section 1 | <i>from passage</i> | 22-344(a) |

ENV *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

The bill, which requires commercially operated kennels to display certain information in advertisements, does not result in a fiscal impact to the state or municipalities.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

OLR Bill Analysis**HB 5799*****AN ACT REQUIRING PET BOARDING FACILITIES AND KENNELS TO DISPLAY THEIR LICENSE NUMBER ON ALL FORMS OF ADVERTISING.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires a person who maintains and advertises a commercial kennel to include his or her license number in any advertisement. (The bill does not specify the penalty for violating this requirement.) It authorizes the commissioner to adopt regulations, which may establish the size, font, and location of the license number in advertisements.

By law, a person cannot operate a commercial kennel without a license from the agriculture commissioner.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 28 Nay 0 (03/25/2013)