



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 7158

LCO No. 4338



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
(ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF COMMERCIAL KENNELS.

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

1 Section 1. Section 22-327 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 As used in this chapter:

4 (1) "Animal" means any brute creature, including, but not limited to,
5 dogs, cats, monkeys, guinea pigs, hamsters, rabbits, birds and reptiles;

6 (2) "Chief Animal Control Officer", "Assistant Chief Animal Control
7 Officer" and "animal control officer" mean, respectively, the Chief State
8 Animal Control Officer, the Assistant Chief State Animal Control
9 Officer and a state animal control officer appointed under section 22-
10 328;

11 (3) "Commercial kennel" means a [kennel] place maintained for
12 boarding or grooming more than three dogs or cats, and includes, but
13 is not limited to, any veterinary hospital which boards or grooms dogs

14 or cats for nonmedical purposes;

15 (4) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Agriculture;

16 (5) "Grooming facility" means any place, other than a commercial
17 kennel, which is maintained as a business where dogs are groomed;

18 (6) "Keeper" means any person, other than the owner, harboring or
19 having in his possession any dog;

20 (7) "Kennel" means one pack or collection of dogs which are kept
21 under one ownership at a single location and are bred for show, sport
22 or sale;

23 (8) "Municipal animal control officer" means any such officer
24 appointed under the provisions of section 22-331;

25 (9) "Pet shop" means any place at which animals not born and raised
26 on the premises are kept for the purpose of sale to the public;

27 (10) "Poultry" means all domestic fowl and any pheasants or other
28 game birds securely confined and lawfully owned and possessed by
29 any person under the provisions of section 26-40;

30 (11) "Regional animal control officer" and "assistant regional animal
31 control officer" means a regional Connecticut animal control officer
32 and an assistant regional Connecticut animal control officer appointed
33 under the provisions of section 22-331a;

34 (12) "Training facility" means any place, other than a commercial
35 kennel or grooming facility, which is maintained as a business where
36 dogs are trained.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
| Section 1 | <i>from passage</i> | 22-327 |

Statement of Purpose:

To exempt certain persons who care for dogs and cats in their home from regulations that apply to commercial kennels.

[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.]