



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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LCO No. 10086



Offered by:  
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To: Subst. House Bill No. 5386      File No. 553      Cal. No. 335

**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE OR TRANSFER OF DOGS, CATS AND RABBITS AT PET SHOPS THAT ARE NOT FROM ANIMAL WELFARE ORGANIZATIONS."**

1      After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2      internal references accordingly:

3      "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) For the purposes of  
4      this section, "therapy animal" means any animal that is in the process  
5      of being trained or that is trained and being used to aid the emotional  
6      and physical health of patients in hospitals, nursing homes, retirement  
7      homes, schools, campuses, libraries or community centers.

8      (b) The Commissioner of Agriculture may establish an identification  
9      tag program for therapy animals."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>October 1, 2019</i>	New section