



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5575

LCO No. 1943



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
REP. BORER, 115th Dist.
(By Request)

AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO REVISE MUNICIPAL ANIMAL SHELTER REGULATIONS.

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to require the Department of
2 Agriculture to update municipal animal shelter regulation standards to
3 include: (1) An update to the allowable minimum and maximum
4 temperatures in animal shelters to be more aligned with private shelters
5 and neighboring states in an effort to avoid animal suffering from
6 unhealthy temperatures; (2) providing proper and timely veterinary
7 care of injured or ill animals; (3) prohibiting different incompatible
8 species from being co-housed, such as small mammals co-housed with
9 cats, and cats co-housed with dogs; and (4) that all surfaces are able to
10 be properly cleaned and disinfected to eliminate the spread of disease.

Statement of Purpose:

To adhere to best practices relating to animal shelter operations by requiring municipal regulations to comport with state-mandated regulations for private shelters.