

SB2331 - Senate Ways and Means - An Act relative to protecting puppies and kittens

Amendment ID: S2331-1

Amendment 1

Ending Inhumane Commercial Sales of Cats and Dogs in Massachusetts

Messrs. O'Connor, Feeney, Lewis and Keenan move to amend the bill by striking in Section 3 lines 175 through 222 in their entirety.;

by inserting after Section 5 the following section:-

SECTION 6. Section 39A of chapter 129 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking the first paragraph and inserting thereof the following:-

1. Prohibition of sale in pet shops. Except as provided in subsection 2, a pet shop may not sell, deliver, offer for sale, barter, auction or otherwise dispose of a cat or dog.
2. Exceptions. The following are exceptions to the provisions of subsection 1:
 - (a) A public or private charitable nonprofit animal shelter, humane society or animal rescue organization; or
 - (b) A pet shop offering a cat or dog owned by an entity in paragraph A for purposes of adoption of the cat or dog by a member of the public.
3. Penalties. A person who violates this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of \$2,500 is adjudged.; and by striking the figure "6" in line 243 and inserting thereof the figure "7".

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Amendment 2

Public Hearings

Mr. Tarr moves to amend the bill by inserting in line 237 by striking "shall hold at least a public hearing" and inserting in place thereof the following:-"shall hold at least 2 public hearings in geographically different regions".

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3rd Redraft Amendment 1

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Messrs. O'Connor, Feeney, Lewis and Keenan move to amend the bill in section 4, by inserting, after the word "socialization", in line 232, the following: "path to retirement, litter sizes, exposure to sunlight, time outside the cage" ; and

By striking out, in line 235, the words "consider the recommended standards of the American Veterinary Medical Association" and inserting in place thereof the following: "consider standards of the Canine Care Certified program administered by the non-profit Center for Canine Welfare and of the American Veterinary Medical Association."

