



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1282

LCO No. 3766



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
(ENV)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE MINIMUM QUARANTINE FOR CERTAIN
DOGS AND CATS EXPOSED TO RABIES.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 22-359f of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 [Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, the Commissioner of
4 Agriculture shall develop a waiver request process and form for the
5 owner, keeper or veterinarian for any animal that was attacked and that
6 may have been exposed to rabies as a result of such attack to request a
7 reduction of the requisite quarantine period for such animal from six
8 months to four months if such owner, keeper or veterinarian submits
9 proof with such waiver request that such animal was vaccinated for
10 rabies not more than ninety-six hours after such attack. Such waiver
11 request process and form shall be: (1) Posted on the Internet web site of
12 the Department of Agriculture, (2) made publicly available and
13 accessible, and (3) made known to veterinarians throughout the state by
14 said department.] The owner or keeper of any animal that was attacked
15 and that may have been exposed to rabies as a result of such attack shall

16 quarantine the animal for a minimum of four months. The owner or
17 keeper of the animal shall have such animal vaccinated against rabies as
18 soon as medically appropriate. Such quarantine shall be provided as
19 directed by a licensed veterinarian in this state or the State Veterinarian.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	22-359f
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ENV *Joint Favorable*