

General Assembly

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Amendment

LCO No. 8401



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To: House Bill No. 6832

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"AN ACT AUTHORIZING MUNICIPALITIES TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF DOGS, CATS AND RABBITS IN PET SHOPS."

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

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) (a) Any person licensed to 4 maintain a pet shop, as defined in section 22-327 of the general statutes, 5 pursuant to chapter 435 of the general statutes, who has ceased or intends to cease operation of such pet shop as the result of the adoption 6 7 of a prohibition on the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits in pet shops 8 pursuant to subparagraph (D)(iii) of subdivision (7) of subsection (c) of 9 section 7-148 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, may, not 10 later than sixty days after the effective date of such prohibition, request 11 compensation from such municipality for such person's loss of business. 12 Such request shall be in a form and manner prescribed by such 13 municipality.

14 (b) Not later than sixty days after receipt of such notification, such 15 municipality shall cause two independent appraisals to be conducted to 16 determine the value of such pet shop business. Each appraisal shall be 17 conducted by an independent certified public accountant licensed 18 pursuant to chapter 389 of the general statutes, who specializes in 19 business valuation, without consultation with the other independent 20 certified public accountant conducting an independent appraisal. No 21 such appraisal shall include value related to the loss of future sales 22 income. Each such independent certified public accountant shall submit 23 a copy of such accountant's appraisal to the municipality and person 24 requesting compensation from such municipality. Not later than thirty 25 days after receipt of the last submitted copy or the date upon which such 26 pet shop ceases operation, whichever is later, such municipality shall 27 compensate such person in an amount equal to the average of the values 28 determined by the two independent appraisals."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:Sec. 501October 1, 2025New section