

March 21, 2007

S 1330. ANIMAL WELFARE ACT/SALES AT FLEA MARKETS. Filed 3/21/07. *TO EXTEND THE PROTECTION OF THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT TO ANIMALS SOLD AT FLEA MARKETS.*

Extends the application of the Animal Welfare Act (Article 3, GS Chapter 19) to animals confined in flea markets and requires a flea market vendor (a merchant who transports animals to a flea market and offers the animals for sale at that location) to obtain a license from the Director of the Animal Health Division of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Makes other conforming changes. Effective October 1, 2007.

Intro. by Hoyle.

GS 19A

May 10, 2007

S 1330. SALE OF DOGS AND CATS AT SPECIALTY MARKETS (NEW). Filed 3/21/07. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes all provisions of the first edition and replaces it with *AN ACT TO REQUIRE OWNERS AND OPERATORS OF SPECIALTY MARKETS WHERE DOGS OR CATS ARE SOLD OR GIVEN AWAY TO OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FROM, AND PAY A REGISTRATION FEE TO, THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO PROVIDE NOTIFICATION OF THE REGISTRATION TO THE SHERIFF OR CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE JURISDICTION WHERE THE SPECIALTY MARKET IS LOCATED; AND TO REQUIRE THESE SPECIALTY MARKETS TO MEET THE STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO PET SHOPS.* Enacts GS 66-252(a1) and GS 66-254.2 as title indicates, making it a Class 3 misdemeanor for a specialty market to transfer a dog or cat without meeting pet shop standards. Effective December 1, 2007, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.