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H **HOUSE BILL DRH40169-MH-66**

Short Title:

Clarify Animal Welfare Act. Representative McNeely. Sponsors: Referred to: A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT CERTAIN DOG TRAINING BUSINESSES ARE NOT 3 CLASSIFIED AS PET SHOPS FOR PURPOSES OF LICENSING UNDER THE ANIMAL 4 WELFARE ACT. 5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 19A-23(12) reads as rewritten: "(12) "Pet shop" means a person or establishment that acquires for the purposes of 7 8 resale animals bred by others whether as owner, agent, or on consignment, 9 and that sells, trades or offers to sell or trade such animals to the general public at retail or wholesale. A person or establishment that provides dog training 10 11 and obedience services and that derives less than ten percent (10%) of its gross 12 receipts from the sale of animals is not considered a pet shop for purposes of 13 this Article." 14 **SECTION 2.** This act applies only to Iredell County. 15 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

