HOUSE BILL No. 2377

By Committee on Appropriations

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9 AN ACT concerning pet animals; transferring the powers, duties and functions of the livestock commissioner regarding the Kansas pet animal act to the secretary of agriculture; amending K.S.A. 47-1701, 47-1702, 47-1703, 47-1704, 47-1708, 47-1712, 47-1713, 47-1715, 47-1719, 47-1720, 47-1723, 47-1725, 47-1727, 47-1731, 47-1732, 47-1733, 47-1734, 47-1735 and 47-1736 and K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 47-1706, 47-1706a, 47-1707, 47-1709 and 47-1721 and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) On the effective date of this act, the Kansas pet animal act shall be administered by the secretary of agriculture. Such administration shall be a continuation of administration of the act by the livestock commissioner.

- (b) All of the powers, duties and functions of the livestock commissioner in administering the Kansas pet animal act are hereby transferred to and imposed upon the Kansas department of agriculture and the secretary of agriculture, respectively.
- New Sec. 2. (a) In administering the Kansas pet animal act, the secretary of agriculture shall be the successor in every way to the powers, duties and functions of the livestock commissioner in which the same were vested prior to the effective date of this act. Every act performed in the exercise of such powers, duties and functions by or under the authority of the secretary of agriculture shall be deemed to have the same force and effect as if performed by the livestock commissioner in which such powers, duties and functions were vested prior to the effective date of this act.
- (b) Whenever the Kansas pet animal act is referred to or designated by a statute, contract, memorandum of understanding, plan, grant, waiver or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the secretary of agriculture for administration of the act.
- (c) All rules and regulations, orders and directives of the livestock commissioner, concerning the Kansas pet animal act, that are in effect on the effective date of this act shall continue to be effective and shall be deemed to be rules and regulations, orders and directives of the secretary of agriculture until revised, amended, revoked or nullified pursuant to

1 law.

New Sec. 3. The Kansas pet animal advisory board, created by K.S.A. 47-1725, and amendments thereto, is hereby continued in existence and shall be advisory to the secretary of agriculture with respect to powers, duties and functions of the Kansas animal health department that are transferred under this act. Persons who are members of the Kansas pet animal advisory board on the effective date of this act shall continue to hold such offices under the conditions and limitations provided under K.S.A. 47-1725, and amendments thereto.

New Sec. 4. The Kansas department of agriculture shall succeed to all property, property rights and records of the livestock commissioner as relate to the administration of the Kansas pet animal act.

- New Sec. 5. (a) On the effective date of this act, the balances of all funds or accounts thereof appropriated or reappropriated for administration of the Kansas pet animal act are hereby transferred within the state treasury to the Kansas department of agriculture and shall be used only for the purpose for which the appropriation was originally made.
- (b) Subject to acts of the legislature, all fees and grant funds dedicated to the administration of the Kansas pet animal act prior to the effective date of this act shall remain dedicated to the administration of the Kansas pet animal act on and after the effective date of this act.
- New Sec. 6. (a) (1) All officers and employees engaged in the administration of the Kansas pet animal act and who are, in the opinion of the secretary of agriculture, necessary to administer such act, shall become officers and employees of the Kansas department of agriculture and are hereby transferred to the Kansas department of agriculture on the effective date of this act.
- (2) The secretary of agriculture shall determine such officers and employees as are necessary to enable the secretary to administer the Kansas pet animal act.
- (3) All classified employees transferred under this subsection (a) shall retain their status as classified employees. Thereafter, the secretary of agriculture may convert vacant classified positions to positions in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil service act.
- (b) Officers and employees of the Kansas animal health department transferred by this act shall retain all retirement benefits and leave balances and rights that had accrued or vested prior to the date of transfer. The service of each such officer and employee so transferred shall be deemed to have been continuous. Any subsequent transfers, layoffs or abolition of classified service positions under the Kansas civil service act shall be made in accordance with the civil service laws and any rules and regulations adopted thereunder. Nothing in this act shall affect the classified status of any transferred person employed by the state conservation

commission prior to the date of transfer.

- (c) Liability for accrued compensation or salaries of each officer and employee who is transferred to the Kansas department of agriculture under this act shall be assumed and paid by the Kansas department of agriculture on the effective date of this act.
- New Sec. 7. (a) No suit, action, or other proceeding, judicial or administrative, that is lawfully commenced or that could have been lawfully commenced, by or against any state agency or program mentioned in this act, or by or against any officer of the state in such officer's official capacity or in relation to the discharge of such officer's official duties, shall abate by reason of the governmental reorganization effected under the provisions of this act. The court may allow any such suit, action or other proceeding to be maintained by or against the successor of any such state agency or any officer affected.
- (b) No criminal action that is commenced or that could have been commenced by the state shall abate by the taking effect of this act.
- Sec. 8. K.S.A. 47-1701 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1701. As used in the Kansas pet animal act, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (a) "Adequate feeding" means supplying at suitable intervals (not to exceed 24 hours) of a quantity of wholesome foodstuff, suitable for the animal species and age, and sufficient to maintain a reasonable level of nutrition in each animal.
- (b) "Adequate watering" means a supply of clean, fresh, potable water, supplied in a sanitary manner and either continuously accessible to each animal or supplied at intervals suitable for the animal species, not to exceed intervals of 12 hours.
- (c) "Ambient temperature" means the temperature surrounding the animal.
- (d) (1) "Animal" means any live dog, cat, rabbit, rodent, nonhuman primate, bird or other warm-blooded vertebrate or any fish, snake or other cold-blooded vertebrate.
- (2) Animal does not include horses, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, ratites, domesticated deer or domestic fowl.
- (e) "Animal breeder" means any person who operates animal breeder premises.
- (f) "Animal breeder premises" means any premises where all or part of six or more litters of dogs or cats, or both, or 30 or more dogs or cats, or both, are sold, or offered or maintained for sale, primarily at wholesale for resale to another.
- (g) "Animal shelter" or "pound" means a facility which is used or designed for use to house, contain, impound or harbor any seized stray, homeless, relinquished or abandoned animal or a person who acts as an

 animal rescuer, or who collects and cares for unwanted animals or offers them for adoption. Animal shelter or pound also includes a facility of an individual or organization, profit or nonprofit, maintaining 20 or more dogs or cats, or both, for the purpose of collecting, accumulating, amassing or maintaining the animals or offering the animals for adoption.

- (h) "Cat" means an animal which is wholly or in part of the species *Felis domesticus*.
- (i) "Commissioner" means the livestock commissioner appointed by the Kansas animal health board. "Secretary" means the secretary of agriculture of the Kansas department of agriculture.
- (j) "Dog" means any animal which is wholly or in part of the species *Canis familiaris* but does not include any greyhound, as defined by K.S.A. 74-8802 and amendments thereto.
- (k) "Animal control officer" means any person employed by, contracted with or appointed by the state, or any political subdivision thereof, for the purpose of aiding in the enforcement of this law, or any other law or ordinance relating to the licensing or permitting of animals, control of animals or seizure and impoundment of animals, and includes any state, county or municipal law enforcement officer, dog warden, constable or other employee, whose duties in whole or in part include assignments which involve the seizure or taking into custody of any animal.
- (l) "Euthanasia" means the humane destruction of an animal, which may be accomplished by any of those methods provided for in K.S.A. 47-1718 and amendments thereto.
- (m) "Hobby breeder premises" means any premises where all or part of 3, 4 or 5 litters of dogs or cats, or both, are produced for sale or sold, offered or maintained for sale. This provision applies only if the total number of dogs or cats, or both, sold, offered or maintained for sale is less than 30 individual animals.
- (n) "Hobby breeder" means any person who operates a hobby breeder premises.
- (o) "Housing facility" means any room, building or area used to contain a primary enclosure or enclosures.
- (p) "Kennel operator" means any person who operates an establishment where four or more dogs or cats, or both, are maintained in any one week for boarding, training or similar purposes for a fee or compensation.
- (q) "Kennel operator premises" means the facility of a kennel operator.
 - (r) "License year" or "permit year" means the 12-month period ending on June 30.
- 42 (s) "Person" means any individual, association, partnership, corpo-43 ration or other entity.

- (t) (1) "Pet shop" means any premises where there are sold, or offered or maintained for sale, at retail and not for resale to another:
- (A) Any dogs or cats, or both; or (B) any other animals except those which are produced and raised on such premises and are sold, or offered or maintained for sale, by a person who resides on such premises.
- (2) Pet shop does not include: (A) Any pound or animal shelter; (B) any premises where only fish are sold, or offered or maintained for sale; or (C) any animal distributor premises, hobby breeder premises, retail breeder premises or animal breeder premises.
- (3) Nothing in this section prohibits inspection of those premises which sell only fish to verify that only fish are being sold.
 - (u) "Pet shop operator" means any person who operates a pet shop.
- (v) "Primary enclosure" means any structure used or designed for use to restrict any animal to a limited amount of space, such as a room, pen, cage, compartment or hutch.
- (w) "Research facility" means any place, laboratory or institution, except an elementary school, secondary school, college or university, at which any scientific test, experiment or investigation involving the use of any living animal is carried out, conducted or attempted.
- (x) "Sale," "sell" and "sold" include transfers by sale or exchange. Maintaining animals for sale is presumed whenever 20 or more dogs or cats, or both, are maintained by any person.
- (y) "Sanitize" means to make physically clean and to remove and destroy, to a practical minimum, agents injurious to health, at such intervals as necessary.
- $\mbox{(z)}$ "Animal distributor" means any person who operates an animal distributor premises.
- (aa) "Animal distributor premises" means the premises of any person engaged in the business of buying for resale dogs or cats, or both, as a principal or agent, or who holds such distributor's self out to be so engaged.
- (bb) "Out-of-state distributor" means any person residing in a state other than Kansas, who is engaged in the business of buying for resale dogs or cats, or both, within the state of Kansas, as a principal or agent.
- (cc) "Food animals" means rodents, rabbits, reptiles, fish or amphibians that are sold or offered or maintained for sale for the sole purpose of being consumed as food by other animals.
 - (dd) (1) "Adequate veterinary medical care" means:
- (A) A documented program of disease control and prevention, euthanasia and routine veterinary care shall be established and maintained under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian, on a form provided by the commissioner secretary, and shall include a documented on-site visit to the premises by the veterinarian at least once a year; and

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- (B) that diseased, ill, injured, lame or blind animals shall be provided with veterinary care as is needed for the health and well-being of the 2 3 animal.
 - (2)As used in the Kansas pet animal act, "adequate veterinary medical care" shall not apply to United States department of agriculture licensed animal breeders or animal distributors.
 - "Ratites" means all creatures of the ratite family that [are] not indigenous to this state, including, but not limited to, ostriches, emus and rheas.
- "Retail breeder" means any person who operates a retail breeder 10 (ff)premises. 11
 - "Retail breeder premises" means any premises where all or part of six or more litters or 30 or more dogs or cats, or both, are sold, or offered or maintained for sale, primarily at retail and not for resale to another.
 - (hh) "Retail" means any transaction where the animal is sold to the final consumer.
 - "Wholesale" means any transaction where the animal is sold for the purpose of resale to another.
 - Sec. 9. K.S.A. 47-1702 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1702. It shall be unlawful for any person to act as or be an animal distributor unless such person has obtained from the commissioner secretary an animal distributor license for each animal distributor premises operated by such person. Application for such license shall be made in writing on a form provided by the commissioner secretary. The license period shall be for the license year ending on June 30 following the issuance
 - Sec. 10. K.S.A. 47-1703 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1703. It shall be unlawful for any person to act as or be a pet shop operator unless such person has obtained from the commissioner secretary a pet shop operator license for each pet shop operated by such person. Application for each such license shall be made in writing on a form provided by the commissioner secretary. The license period shall be for the license year ending on June 30 following the issuance date.
 - Sec. 11. K.S.A. 47-1704 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1704. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a pound or animal shelter, except a licensed veterinarian who operates such pound or animal shelter from such licensed veterinarian's clinic, unless a license for such pound or shelter has been obtained from the commissioner secretary. Application for such license shall be made on a form provided by the commissioner secretary. The license period shall be for the license year ending on June 30 following the issuance date.
- 43 Sec. 12. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 47-1706 is hereby amended to read as

follows: 47-1706. (a) The eommissioner secretary may refuse to issue or renew or may suspend or revoke any license or permit required under K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto, for any one or more of the following reasons:

- (1) Material misstatement in the application for the original license or permit, or in the application for any renewal of a license or permit;
- (2) willful disregard of any provision of the Kansas pet animal act or any rule and regulation adopted hereunder, or any willful aiding or abetting of another in the violation of any provision of the Kansas pet animal act or any rule and regulation adopted hereunder;
- (3) permitting any license or permit issued hereunder to be used by an unlicensed or unpermitted person or transferred to unlicensed or unpermitted premises;
- 14 (4) the conviction of any crime relating to the theft of animals or a 15 first conviction of cruelty to animals;
 - (5) substantial misrepresentation;
 - (6) misrepresentation or false promise, made through advertising, salespersons, agents or otherwise, in connection with the operation of business of the licensee or permittee;
 - (7) fraudulent bill of sale;
 - (8) the housing facility or the primary enclosure is inadequate; or
 - (9) the feeding, watering, sanitizing and housing practices at the licensee's or permittee's premises are not consistent with the Kansas pet animal act or the rules and regulations adopted hereunder.
 - (b) The commissioner secretary shall refuse to issue or renew and shall suspend or revoke any license or permit required under K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto, for the second or subsequent conviction of cruelty to animals, K.S.A. 21-4310, and amendments thereto.
 - (c) Any refusal to issue or renew a license or permit, and any suspension or revocation of a license or permit, under this section shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act and shall be subject to review in accordance with the act for judicial review and civil enforcement of agency actions.
 - (d) Whenever the commissioner secretary denies, suspends or revokes a license or permit under this section, the commissioner secretary or the commissioner's secretary's authorized, trained representatives shall seize and impound any animals in the possession, custody or care of the person whose license or permit is denied, suspended or revoked if there are reasonable grounds to believe that the animals' health, safety or welfare is endangered. Except as provided by K.S.A. 21-4311, and amendments thereto, such animals may be returned to the person owning them if there is satisfactory evidence that the animals will receive adequate care

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by that person or such animals may be sold, placed or euthanized, at the discretion of the commissioner secretary. Costs of care and services for 3 such animals while seized and impounded shall be paid by the person from whom the animals were seized and impounded, if that person's license or permit is denied, suspended or revoked. Such funds shall be paid to the commissioner secretary for reimbursement of care and serv-6 ices provided during seizure and impoundment. If such person's license or permit is not denied, suspended or revoked, the commissioner secre-9 tary shall pay the costs of care and services provided during seizure and 10 impoundment.

Sec. 13. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 47-1706a is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1706a. (a) When an animal is seized or impounded pursuant to K.S.A. 47-1706, 47-1707 or 47-1715, and amendments thereto, the owner or person who was in possession of the animal at the time such animal was seized or impounded may post a cash or security bond as provided in this section which shall prevent the sale, placement or euthanasia of the animal. Such cash or security bond shall be in an amount sufficient to pay for the animal's care and keeping for a period of at least 30 days, commencing on the date which the animal was seized or impounded. Any such security bond or any security bond as provided in subsection (b) shall be approved by the Kansas animal health department secretary of agriculture.

- Such bond shall be filed with the Kansas animal health department secretary of agriculture and shall be posted on or before the date of the disposition hearing or within ten days after the animal is seized or impounded, whichever is earlier. At the end of the time for which expenses are covered by the bond if the owner or person who was in possession of the animal at the time it was seized or impounded desires to prevent disposition of the animal, such owner or person shall post a new cash or security bond prior to the previous bond's expiration. At the end of the time for which expenses are covered by the bond, the animal may be sold, placed or euthanized.
- The authority seizing or impounding an animal shall give notice by delivering a copy of this section to a person residing on the property where the animal was seized or by posting a copy at the place where the animal was seized.
- Nothing in this section shall prevent the euthanasia at any time of an animal seized or impounded which is determined by a licensed veterinarian to be diseased or disabled beyond recovery for any useful purpose.
- (e) This act is supplemental to and shall become a part of the Kansas pet animal act.
- Sec. 14. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 47-1707 is hereby amended to read as 43

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41 42 follows: 47-1707. (a) In addition to or in lieu of any other civil or criminal penalty provided by law, the commissioner secretary, upon a finding that a person has violated or failed to comply with any provision of the Kansas pet animal act or any rule and regulation adopted hereunder, may impose on such person a civil fine not exceeding \$1,000 for each violation or requirement to attend an educational course regarding animals and their care and treatment. If the commissioner secretary imposes the educational course, such person may choose either the fine or the educational course. If such person chooses the fine, the commissioner secretary shall establish the amount pursuant to the fine provisions of this section. The educational course shall be administered by the commissioner secretary in consultation with Kansas state university college of veterinary medicine.

- (b) Any imposition of a civil fine pursuant to this section shall be only upon notice and a hearing conducted in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act and shall be subject to review in accordance with the act for judicial review and civil enforcement of agency actions.
- (c) Whenever the commissioner secretary has reasonable grounds to believe that a person or premises required to be licensed or permitted under the Kansas pet animal act has failed to comply with or has violated any provision of the Kansas pet animal act or any rule and regulation adopted hereunder and that the health, safety or welfare of animals in such person's possession, custody or care is endangered thereby, the eommissioner secretary shall seize and impound such animals using emergency adjudicative proceedings in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act. Except as provided by K.S.A. 21-4311, and amendments thereto, such animals may be returned to the person owning them if there is satisfactory evidence that the animals will receive adequate care by that person or such animals may be sold, placed or euthanized, at the discretion of the commissioner secretary. Costs of care and services for such animals while seized and impounded shall be paid by the person from whom the animals were seized and impounded, if that person is found to be in violation of the Kansas pet animal act or any rules and regulations adopted hereunder. Such funds shall be paid to the commissioner secretary for reimbursement of care and services provided during seizure and impoundment. If such person is not found to be in violation of the Kansas pet animal act or any rules and regulations adopted hereunder, the commissioner secretary shall pay the costs of care and services provided during seizure and impoundment.

Sec. 15. K.S.A. 47-1708 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1708. Any action of the commissioner secretary pursuant to K.S.A. 47-1705 or 47-1706, and amendments thereto, is subject to review in accordance with the act for judicial review and civil enforcement of agency

actions.

Sec. 16. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 47-1709 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1709. (a) The commissioner secretary or the commissioner's secretary's authorized, trained representatives shall make an inspection of the premises for which an application for an original license or permit is made under K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto, before issuance of such license or permit. The application for a license shall conclusively be deemed to be the consent of the applicant to the right of entry and inspection of the premises sought to be licensed or permitted by the commissioner secretary or the commissioner's secretary's authorized, trained representatives at reasonable times with the owner or owner's representative present. Refusal of such entry and inspection shall be grounds for denial of the license or permit. Notice need not be given to any person prior to inspection.

- (b) The commissioner secretary or the commissioner's secretary's authorized, trained representatives may make an inspection of each premises for which a license or permit has been issued under K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto. If such premises are premises of a person licensed or permitted under public law 91-579 (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.), such premises may be inspected at least once each year. Otherwise, the premises may be inspected at least twice each year. The acceptance of a license or permit shall conclusively be deemed to be the consent of the licensee or permittee to the right of entry and inspection of the licensed or permitted premises by the commissioner secretary or the commissioner's secretary's authorized, trained representatives at reasonable times with the owner or owner's representative present. Refusal of such entry and inspection shall be grounds for suspension or revocation of the license or permit. Notice need not be given to any person prior to inspection.
- (c) The commissioner secretary or the commissioner's secretary's authorized, trained representatives shall make inspections of the premises of a person required to be licensed or permitted under K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto, upon a determination by the commissioner secretary that there are reasonable grounds to believe that the person is violating the provisions of K.S.A 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto, or rules and regulations adopted thereunder or that there are grounds for suspension or revocation of such person's license or permit.
- (d) Any complaint filed with the commissioner secretary shall be confidential and shall not be released to any person other than employees of the commissioner secretary as necessary to carry out the duties of their employment.
 - (e) Any person making inspections under this section shall be trained

by the commissioner secretary in reasonable standards of animal care.

- (f) The commissioner secretary may request a licensed veterinarian to assist in any inspection or investigation made by the commissioner secretary or the commissioner's secretary's authorized representative under this section.
- (g) Any person acting as the commissioner's secretary's authorized representative for purposes of making inspections and conducting investigations under this section who knowingly falsifies the results or findings of any inspection or investigation or who intentionally fails or refuses to make an inspection or conduct an investigation pursuant to this section shall be guilty of a class A nonperson misdemeanor.
- (h) No person shall act as the emmissioner's secretary's authorized representative for the purposes of making inspections and conducting investigations under this section if such person has a beneficial interest in a person required to be licensed or permitted pursuant to K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- (i) Records of inspections pursuant to this section shall be maintained in the office of the Kansas animal health department secretary of agriculture. Records of a deficiency or violation shall not be maintained for longer than three years after the deficiency or violation is remedied.
- (j) The commissioner secretary shall, in consultation with Kansas state university college of veterinary medicine: (1) Continue procedures to provide for pet animal training or updated training for authorized trained representatives who inspect premises under the pet animal act and to allow the owners of such facilities licensed or permitted under the pet animal act to attend and participate at the training workshops for the authorized trained representatives; and (2) make available to such owners and other interested persons an inspection handbook describing the duties and responsibilities of such authorized trained representatives.
- Sec. 17. K.S.A. 47-1712 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1712. (a) The ecommissioner secretary is hereby authorized to adopt rules and regulations for licensees and permittees. Such rules and regulations shall include, but not be limited to, provisions relating to: (1) Reasonable treatment of animals in the possession, custody or care of a licensee or permittee or being transported to or from licensed or permitted premises; (2) a requirement that each licensee and permittee file with the commissioner secretary evidence that animals entering or leaving the state are free from any visible symptoms of communicable disease; (3) identification of animals handled; (4) primary enclosures; (5) housing facilities; (6) sanitation; (7) euthanasia; (8) ambient temperatures; (9) feeding; (10) watering; (11) adequate veterinary medical care; (12) inspections of licensed or permitted premises, investigations of complaints and training of persons conducting such inspections and investigations; and (13) a re-

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quirement that each licensee or permittee keep and maintain, for inspection by the commission secretary, such records as necessary to administer and enforce the provisions of the Kansas pet animal act.

- (b) The commissioner secretary shall only adopt as rules and regulations for United States department of agriculture licensed animal distributors and animal breeders, and animal distributor and animal breeder premises the rules and regulations promulgated by the secretary of the United States department of agriculture, cited at 9 C.F.R. 3.1 through 3.12, pursuant to the provisions of the United States public law 91-579 (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.), commonly known as the animal welfare act.
- (c) Notwithstanding any provision in subsection (b), the commissioner secretary may adopt a requirement that each licensee and permittee file with the commissioner secretary evidence that animals entering or leaving the state are free from any visible symptoms of communicable disease.
- Sec. 18. K.S.A. 47-1713 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1713. The commissioner secretary may prohibit the sale or gift of animals which constitute a hazard to human health or safety or to animal health or safety.
- Sec. 19. K.S.A. 47-1715 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1715. (a) Any violation of or failure to comply with any provision of the Kansas pet animal act, or any rule and regulation adopted hereunder, shall constitute a class A nonperson misdemeanor. Continued operation, after a conviction, shall constitute a separate offense for each day of operation.
- Upon a conviction of a person for any violation of the Kansas pet animal act, or any rule and regulation adopted hereunder, the court shall order the commissioner secretary to seize and impound any animals in the convicted person's possession, custody or care if there are reasonable grounds to believe that the animals' health, safety or welfare is endangered. Except as provided by K.S.A. 21-4311, and amendments thereto, such animals may be returned to the person owning them if there is satisfactory evidence that the animals will receive adequate care by that person or such animals may be sold, placed or euthanized, at the discretion of the commissioner secretary. Costs of care and services for such animals while seized and impounded shall be paid by the convicted person. Such funds shall be paid to the commissioner secretary for reimbursement of care and services provided during seizure and impoundment. If the person is not convicted, the eommissioner secretary shall pay the costs of care and services provided during seizure and impoundment.
- 42 Sec. 20. K.S.A. 47-1719 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-43 1719. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to act as or be a hobby

 breeder unless such person has obtained from the commissioner secretary a hobby breeder license. Application for such license shall be made in writing on a form provided by the commissioner secretary. The license period shall be for the license year ending on June 30 following the issuance date.

- (b) This section shall be part of and supplemental to K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 21. K.S.A. 47-1720 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1720. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a research facility unless such person has obtained from the commissioner secretary a research facility license. Application for such license shall be made in writing on a form provided by the commissioner secretary. The license period shall be for the license year ending on June 30 following the issuance date.
- (b) This section shall be part of and supplemental to K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 22. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 47-1721 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1721. (a) Each application for issuance or renewal of a license or permit required under K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto, shall be accompanied by the fee prescribed by the commissioner secretary under this section. Such fees shall be as follows:
- (1) Except as provided in paragraph (5) or (6), for a license for premises of a person licensed under public law 91-579 (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.), an amount not to exceed \$200;
- (2) except as provided in paragraph (5) or (6), for a license for any other premises, an amount not to exceed \$405;
 - (3) for a temporary closing permit, an amount not to exceed \$95;
- (4) for an out-of-state distributor permit, an amount not to exceed \$675;
- (5) for a hobby breeder license or a kennel operator license an amount not to exceed \$95;
 - (6) for a license for an animal shelter or a pound, an amount not to exceed \$300; and
 - (7) a late fee of \$70 shall be assessed to any person whose permit or license renewal is more than 45 days' late.
 - (b) The commissioner secretary shall determine annually the amount necessary to carry out and enforce K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto, for the next ensuing fiscal year and shall fix by rules and regulations the license and permit fees for such year at the amount necessary for that purpose, subject to the limitations of this section. In fixing such fees, the commissioner secretary may establish categories of licenses and permits, based upon the type of license or permit, size of the licensed or permitted business or activity and the premises where such business

 or activity is conducted, and may establish different fees for each such category. The fees in effect immediately prior to the effective date of this act shall continue in effect until different fees are fixed by the commissioner secretary as provided by this subsection.

- (c) If a licensee, permittee or applicant for a license or permit requests an inspection of the premises of such licensee, permittee or applicant, the commissioner secretary shall assess the costs of such inspection, as established by rules and regulations of the commissioner secretary, to such licensee, permittee or applicant.
- (d) No fee or assessment required pursuant to this section shall be refundable.
- (e) The commissioner secretary shall remit all moneys received by or for the commissioner secretary under this section to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the animal dealers fee fund, which is hereby created in the state treasury. Moneys in the animal dealers fee fund may be expended only to administer and enforce K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto. All expenditures from the animal dealers fee fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the Kansas livestock commissioner's secretary of agriculture or the commissioner's secretary's designee.
- (f) Premises required to be licensed under the Kansas pet animal act shall not be required to pay for more than one license. If more than one operation is ongoing at the premises, each operation shall comply with the applicable statutes and rules and regulations pertaining to such operation.
- (g) Except as provided further, when a premises required to be licensed or permitted under the Kansas pet animal act applies for an initial license or permit, the commissioner secretary shall prorate to the nearest whole month the license or permit fee established in subsection (a). The commissioner secretary shall have discretion to determine whether the application is an initial application or an application for a premises which has been doing business but is not licensed or permitted. If the commissioner secretary determines the premises has been doing business without a license or permit, the commissioner secretary is not required to prorate the fee.
- (h) This section shall be part of and supplemental to K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 23. K.S.A. 47-1723 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1723. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person, except a licensed veterinarian, to act as or be a kennel operator unless such person has obtained

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from the commissioner secretary a kennel operator license for each premises operated by such person. Application for such license shall be made 2 3 in writing on a form provided by the commissioner secretary. The license period shall be for the license year ending on June 30 following the issuance date.

- (b) This section shall be part of and supplemental to K.S.A. 47-1701 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- 8 Sec. 24. K.S.A. 47-1725 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1725. (a) There is hereby created the Kansas pet animal advisory board, 9 10 consisting of 10 members. Members shall be appointed by the governor as follows: 11
- 12 (1)One member shall be a representative of a licensed animal shelter 13 or pound;
 - (2)one member shall be an employee of a licensed research facility;
 - one member shall be a licensed animal breeder; (3)
 - (4)one member shall be a licensed retail breeder;
 - one member shall be a licensed pet shop operator; (5)
- 18 one member shall be a licensed veterinarian and shall be selected 19 from a list of three names presented to the governor by the Kansas vet-20 erinary medical association;
 - one member shall be a private citizen with no link to the industry;
 - one member shall be a licensed animal distributor;
 - (9)one member shall be a licensed hobby breeder; and
 - (10) one member shall be a licensed kennel operator.
 - Of the members first appointed to the board, the governor shall designate three whose terms shall expire June 30, 1992; three whose terms shall expire June 30, 1993; and three whose terms shall expire June 30, 1994. After the expiration of such terms, each member shall be appointed for a term of three years and until a successor is appointed and qualified.
 - A vacancy on the board of a member shall be filled for the unexpired term by appointment by the governor.
 - The board shall meet at least once every calendar quarter regularly or at such other times as the chairperson or a majority of the board members determine. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum for conducting board business.
 - The members of the board shall annually elect a chairperson.
 - The board shall have the following duties, authorities and powers: (f)
- 39 To advise the Kansas livestock commissioner secretary of agri-40 culture on hiring a director to implement the Kansas pet animal act;
 - to review the status of the Kansas pet animal act;
- 42 to make recommendations on changes to the Kansas pet animal 43 act; and

- (4) to make recommendations concerning the rules and regulations for the Kansas pet animal act.
- (g) Board members who are required to be licensed except retail breeders shall be affiliated with or a member of an organized pet animal association which is representative of the position such person will hold on the board.
- (h) Upon the effective date of this act, the governor shall appoint a licensed kennel operator. When the current board members' terms expire, the governor shall appoint persons or representatives in accordance with this section.
- Sec. 25. K.S.A. 47-1727 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1727. Notwithstanding the existence or pursuit of any other remedy, when it appears to the commissioner secretary, as head of the licensing and permitting agency, that any person is violating any provisions of the Kansas pet animal act, the commissioner secretary may in that capacity bring an action in a court of competent jurisdiction or other process against such person to enjoin, restrain or prevent such person from continuing operation in violation of the Kansas pet animal act without regard to whether administrative proceedings have been or may be instituted or whether criminal proceedings may be or have been instituted.
- Sec. 26. K.S.A. 47-1731 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1731. (a) No dog or cat may be transferred to the permanent custody of a prospective owner by a pound or animal shelter, as defined by K.S.A. 47-1701, and amendments thereto, or by a humane society, unless:
- (1) Such dog or cat has been surgically spayed or neutered before the physical transfer of the animal occurs; or
- (2) the prospective owner signs an agreement to have the dog or cat spayed or neutered and deposits with the pound or animal shelter funds not less than the lowest nor more than the highest cost of spaying or neutering in the community. Any funds deposited pursuant to such an agreement shall be refunded to such person upon presentation of a written statement signed by a licensed veterinarian that the dog or cat has been spayed or neutered. If such person does not reclaim the deposit within six months after receiving custody of the animal, the pound or animal shelter shall keep the deposit and may reclaim the unspayed or unneutered animal.
- (b) No person shall spay or neuter any dog or cat for or on behalf of a pound or animal shelter unless such person is a licensed veterinarian or a student currently enrolled in the college of veterinary medicine, Kansas state university, who has completed at least two years of study in the veterinary medical curriculum and is participating in a spay or neuter program as part of the curriculum under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian who is a faculty member at the Kansas state university

veterinary medical center. The spay or neuter program shall only be conducted at the surgery clinic at the Kansas state university medical center in Manhattan, Kansas. No pound or animal shelter shall designate the veterinarian which a person must use, or a list from which a person must select a veterinarian, to spay or neuter a dog or cat transferred by such person from such pound or animal shelter. Any premises located in the state of Kansas where the spaying, neutering or any other practice of veterinary medicine occurs shall register such premises with the board of veterinary examiners.

- (c) With the written approval of the livestock commissioner secretary of agriculture, any pound or shelter may use an innovative spay or neuter program not precisely meeting the requirements of subsection (a)(2), if the pound or shelter can prove to the commissioner secretary that it is actively enforcing the spaying and neutering requirements set forth in this statute.
- (d) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require sterilization of a dog or cat which is being held by a pound or animal shelter and which may be claimed by its rightful owner within the holding period established in K.S.A. 47-1710, and amendments thereto.
- (e) The livestock commissioner secretary of agriculture shall promulgate rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.
- Sec. 27. K.S.A. 47-1732 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1732. (a) Any licensee or permit holder required to be licensed or obtain a permit under the Kansas pet animal act, who is in the process of ceasing to do business on July 1, may be issued a temporary closing permit at the discretion of the commissioner secretary.
- (b) Application for such permit shall be made in writing on a form provided by the commissioner secretary.
- (c) The permit will be effective for 30 days. During the 30-day period, the licensee or permit holder shall be required to comply with the Kansas pet animal act and all rules and regulations adopted thereunder. By accepting such permit, the licensee or permit holder agrees to allow an inspection of the facility at the end of the 30-day period to certify that the operation has ceased business. The licensee or permit holder shall provide records as to the disposition of the animals to the commissioner secretary upon request.
- (d) The permit may be renewed, at the discretion of the commissioner secretary, for an additional 30-day period.
- (e) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas pet animal act.
- Sec. 28. K.S.A. 47-1733 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-43 1733. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to act as or be an animal

breeder unless such person has obtained from the commissioner secretary an animal breeder license for each animal breeder premises operated by such person. Application for each such license shall be made in writing on a form provided by the commissioner secretary. The license period shall be for the license year ending on June 30 following the issuance date.

- (b) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas pet animal act.
- Sec. 29. K.S.A. 47-1734 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1734. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to act as or be an out-of-state distributor of dogs or cats, or both, within the state of Kansas unless such person has obtained from the commissioner secretary an out-of-state distributor permit. Application for each such permit shall be made in writing on a form provided by the commissioner secretary. The permit period shall be for the permit year ending on June 30 following the issuance date.
- (b) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas pet animal act.
- Sec. 30. K.S.A. 47-1735 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1735. (a) A licensee, permittee or applicant for a license or permit shall not interfere with, hinder, threaten or abuse, including verbal abuse, any representative or employee of the animal health department Kansas department of agriculture who is carrying out such representative's or employee's duties under the provisions of the Kansas pet animal act.
- (b) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas pet animal act.
- Sec. 31. K.S.A. 47-1736 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1736. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to act as or be a retail breeder unless such person has obtained from the commissioner secretary a retail breeder license for each retail breeder premises operated by such person. Application for each such license shall be made in writing on a form provided by the commissioner secretary. The license period shall be for the license year ending on June 30 following the issuance date.
- (b) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas pet animal act.
- 36 Sec. 32. K.S.A. 47-1701, 47-1702, 47-1703, 47-1704, 47-1708, 47-1712, 47-1713, 47-1715, 47-1719, 47-1720, 47-1723, 47-1725, 47-1727, 47-1731, 47-1732, 47-1733, 47-1734, 47-1735 and 47-1736 and K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 47-1706, 47-1706a, 47-1707, 47-1709 and 47-1721 are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 33. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.