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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

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RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- ANIMAL CARE

Introduced By: Senators Sosnowski, Archambault, Cool Rumsey, and Goldin

Date Introduced: March 05, 2014

Referred To: Senate Environment & Agriculture

(Environmental Management)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 4-19-8 of the General Laws in Chapter 4-19 entitled "Animal Care"
2 is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **4-19-8. Denial of certificates of registration or licenses.** – (a) A certificate of
4 registration may be denied to any pound or animal shelter and a license may be denied to any
5 public auction, kennel, pet shop or dealer or, if granted, the certificate or license may be revoked
6 by the director if, after a hearing, it is determined that the housing facilities and/or primary
7 enclosures are inadequate for the purposes of this chapter or if the feeding, watering, sanitizing
8 and housing practices at the pound, animal shelter, public auction, pet shop or kennel are not
9 consistent with the intent of this chapter or with the intent of the rules and regulations which may
10 be promulgated pursuant to the authority of this chapter.

11 **(b) All animals housed in licensed or registered facilities that have had their license or**
12 **registration revoked, must be promptly relocated to an approved location in a manner approved**
13 **by the director of the department of environmental management.**

14 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would require the director to promptly approve the new location and the manner
- 2 of the relocation of animals in facilities that have had their licenses or registration revoked.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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