

SENATE, No. 653

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 214th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Prohibits sale of any dog by kennel, pet shop or other retail establishment without name, address and phone number of person providing dog thereto; establishes \$500 fine for each violation.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



1 AN ACT concerning the sale of dogs, and supplementing Title 4 of
2 the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. No dog may be sold in the State by a kennel, pet shop, or
8 other retail establishment that sells dogs unless the name, address
9 and phone number of the person who provided the dog to the
10 kennel, pet shop, or other retail establishment that sells dogs is
11 provided to the person purchasing the dog at the time of sale. If the
12 dog was raised by the kennel, pet shop or other retail establishment
13 that sells dogs, the name, address and phone number of the owner of
14 the kennel, pet shop, or other retail establishment that sells dogs
15 shall be provided to the person purchasing the dog. No provision of
16 this subsection shall be construed to apply to shelters, pounds or
17 other nonprofit organizations that provide dogs to individuals,
18 regardless of any fee or charge that may be applied by the shelter,
19 pound or nonprofit organization at the time that the dog is provided
20 to an individual.

21 b. Any person found guilty of violating the provisions of
22 subsection a. of this section shall be subject to a fine of \$500 for
23 each violation.

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25 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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30 This bill prohibits the sale of any dog in the State by a kennel,
31 pet shop, or other retail establishment that sells dogs unless the
32 name, address and phone number of the person who provided the
33 dog to the kennel, pet shop, or other retail establishment that sells
34 dogs is provided to the person purchasing the dog at the time of
35 sale. If the dog was raised by the kennel, pet shop or other retail
36 establishment that sells dogs, the bill requires that the name,
37 address and phone number of the owner of the kennel, pet shop, or
38 other retail establishment that sells dogs be provided to the person
39 purchasing the dog. Finally, the bill provides that these
40 requirements shall not apply to shelters, pounds or other nonprofit
41 organizations that provide dogs to individuals, and any person
42 found guilty of violating the act will be subject to a fine of \$500 for
43 each violation.