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STATE OF COLORADO

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*This Version Includes All Amendments  
Adopted in the Second House*

LLS NO. 14-0456.01 Gregg Fraser x4325

**HOUSE BILL 14-1313**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING A REQUIREMENT THAT THE OWNER OF A PET ANIMAL**  
102 **PROVIDE A VALID RABIES VACCINATION CERTIFICATE PRIOR TO**  
103 **REGISTERING THE ANIMAL WITH A COUNTY.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)*

A county is currently prohibited from issuing a dog permit or license unless the owner of the dog provides a valid rabies vaccination certificate. The bill expands this requirement to include cats and ferrets.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.

*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*

*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

SENATE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
April 22, 2014

SENATE  
2nd Reading Unamended  
April 21, 2014

HOUSE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
April 1, 2014

HOUSE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
March 31, 2014

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 30-15-101, **amend**

3 (1) (a) introductory portion and (1) (a) (I) as follows:

4 **30-15-101. Pet animal control and licensing.** (1) (a) The board  
5 of county commissioners of any county may adopt a resolution for the  
6 control and licensing of dogs and other pet animals as provided in this  
7 part 1. ~~Such~~ THE resolution may:

8 (I) Require licensing of dogs and other pet animals by owners and  
9 impose reasonable conditions and fees on the same. No registration  
10 permit or license shall be issued by any board of county commissioners  
11 unless and until the owner of a dog, ~~shall exhibit~~ CAT, OR FERRET  
12 EXHIBITS to ~~such~~ THE board or designated official a valid rabies  
13 vaccination certificate indicating the dog, CAT, OR FERRET has been  
14 vaccinated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian. The county ~~dog~~ PET  
15 ANIMAL control resolution may exempt dogs, CATS, OR FERRETS below a  
16 specified age from licensing and registration or vaccination requirements,  
17 or both; except that the recommendations of the department of public  
18 health and environment shall be followed concerning the minimum age  
19 for ~~such~~ THE vaccination.

20 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
21 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
22 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
23 6, 2014, if adjournment sine die is on May 7, 2014); except that, if a  
24 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
25 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
26 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect

1 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
2 November 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
3 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.