

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2686

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE AUNE.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 273, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to animal care facilities, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 273, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 273.332 and 273.334, to read as follows:

273.332. 1. If an animal or group of animals under the possession or control of a person or entity licensed under section 273.327 is suffering from parvovirus or exposure to parvovirus, such person or entity in possession or control shall notify the state veterinarian by the close of the business day following the diagnosis, and a quarantine of the premises may be issued until the animals meet the provisions for release as established by the state veterinarian in compliance with section 273.348.

2. Animals that have or are suspected of having parvovirus shall be isolated from healthy animals in the facility, as directed by the attending veterinarian. When an entire group or room of animals is known to have been exposed or believed to have been exposed to parvovirus, the group may be kept intact during the process of diagnosis, treatment, and control.

3. When, in the judgment of the state veterinarian or an animal welfare official, any person or entity licensed under section 273.327 has been in violation of this section so as to pose a substantial ongoing risk to the health and welfare of animals in their custody or so as to pose a substantial ongoing risk that consumers will purchase diseased animals from such person or entity, the director may revoke the license held by such person or entity.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

**273.334. Records of the dates of acquisition and disposition and identifying
2 information for the source of animals under the possession or control of all persons or
3 entities licensed under section 273.327 shall be maintained on all animals bought, raised,
4 or otherwise obtained, held, kept, maintained, transported, sold, given, released,
5 donated, or otherwise disposed of, to include death or euthanasia with the cause of death
6 or reason for euthanasia listed, which shall be reported annually to the state
7 veterinarian.**

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