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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010**

#### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY - DOGS

Introduced By: Senators Tassoni, and Sosnowski

Date Introduced: February 11, 2010

Referred To: Senate Constitutional & Regulatory Issues

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 413-4.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 413 entitled "Dogs" is
- 2 hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 4-13-4.1. Notice to new owner of inoculation and licensing requirements. -- (a) It is
- 4 unlawful for any dog pound, animal shelter, kennel, pet store, animal broker, or any other facility
- 5 licensed pursuant to chapter 19 of this title to sell, give away, or adopt out any dog without
- 6 providing the new owner with a form indicating that inoculation against rabies and permanent
- 7 licensing are required within thirty (30) days.
- 8 (b) The facility shall also require the new owner to sign a register indicating that the new
- 9 owner has received a form and register shall also contain the name and address of the new owner
- and shall be permanently maintained by the facility.
- 11 (c) The person obtaining a dog in this manner is required to have this dog inoculated
- against rabies and obtain a permanent license within thirty (30) days.
- 13 (d) Any person who violates the provisions of this section is subject to the penalty
- provisions of section 4-13-4.
- 15 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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## **EXPLANATION**

## BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would make it unlawful for any animal broker to sell, give away, or adopt any dog without providing the new owner a form indicating that state inoculation and license requirements have been complied with.

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