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SENATE BILL 1198

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 11-1013, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO ANIMAL CONTROL.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 11-1013, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 11-1013. Establishment of county pounds; impounding and
5 disposing of dogs and cats; reclaiming impounded
6 dogs and cats; pound fees

7 A. The board of supervisors in each county may provide or authorize a
8 county pound or pounds or enter into a cooperative agreement with a city, a
9 veterinarian or an Arizona incorporated humane society for the establishment
10 and operation of a county pound.

11 B. Any stray dog shall be impounded. All dogs and cats impounded
12 shall be given proper care and maintenance.

13 C. Each stray dog or any cat impounded **AND NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A**
14 **STERILIZATION PROGRAM** shall be kept and maintained at the county pound for a
15 minimum of seventy-two hours or one hundred twenty hours for an animal that
16 is **IMPOUNDED WITH A MICROCHIP OR** wearing a license **OR ANY OTHER DISCERNIBLE**
17 **FORM OF OWNER IDENTIFICATION**, unless claimed or surrendered by its
18 owner. Any person may purchase such a dog or cat on expiration of the
19 impoundment period, if the person pays all pound fees established by the
20 county board of supervisors and complies with the licensing and vaccinating
21 provisions of this article. If such dog or cat is to be used for medical
22 research, ~~no~~ A license or vaccination ~~shall be~~ **IS NOT** required. **ANY**
23 **IMPOUNDED CAT THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A STERILIZATION PROGRAM AND THAT WILL BE**
24 **RETURNED TO THE VICINITY WHERE THE CAT WAS ORIGINALLY CAPTURED MAY BE**
25 **EXEMPTED FROM THE MANDATORY HOLDING PERIOD REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION. FOR**
26 **THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, "ELIGIBLE" MEANS A CAT THAT IS LIVING**
27 **OUTDOORS, LACKS DISCERNIBLE IDENTIFICATION, IS OF SOUND HEALTH AND POSSESSES**
28 **ITS CLAWS.**

29 D. Any impounded licensed dog or any cat may be reclaimed by its owner
30 or such owner's agent provided that the person reclaiming the dog or cat
31 furnishes proof of the person's right to do so and pays all pound fees
32 established by the board of supervisors. Any person purchasing such a dog or
33 cat shall pay all pound fees established by the board of supervisors.

34 E. If the dog or cat is not reclaimed within the impoundment period,
35 the county enforcement agent shall take possession of and may place the dog
36 or cat for sale or may dispose of the dog or cat in a humane manner. The
37 county enforcement agent may destroy impounded sick or injured dogs or cats
38 if destruction is necessary to prevent the dog or cat from suffering or to
39 prevent the spread of disease.