

HOUSE No. 3812

By Mr. Viveiros of Fall River (by request), petition of Albert Abrantes that veterinarians be required to ascertain the true owner of an animal before rendering treatment to such animal. Social Welfare.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Four.

AN ACT MAKING IT A CRIMINAL OFFENSE FOR A VETERINARIAN TO GIVE TREATMENT TO AN ANIMAL BEFORE VERIFYING THAT THE PERSON REQUESTING THE TREATMENT IS THE OWNER OF THE ANIMAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 112 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting after section 59 the following section: —
3 *Section 59A.* A veterinarian or animal rescue league official,
4 before administering any treatment to an animal shall check with
5 the city or town clerk's office to verify that the person
6 requesting the treatment is the owner of the animal; and shall
7 obtain the signature of the owner on a release form. Any
8 veterinarian or animal rescue league official who violates this
9 section shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred
10 dollars.

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