

HOUSE No. 1802

By Mr. Flaherty of Cambridge, petition of Dorothy Checchi O'Brien and Vincent J. Piro relative to regulating municipal dog pounds. Counties.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

An ACT REGULATING DOG POUNDS.

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 140 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by
2 Chapter 573 of the Acts of 1978, is hereby further amended by
3 striking out the last paragraph in Section 151 and adding the
4 following paragraph:—

5 No dog officer shall be a licensed animal dealer registered with
6 the United States Department of Agriculture and no dog officer
7 either privately or in the course of carrying out his official assign-
8 ments as an agent for his municipality shall give or sell any animal
9 which may come into his custody to a person licensed as an animal
10 dealer with the United States Department of Agriculture. Whoever
11 violates the provisions of this paragraph shall be punished by a fine
12 of not less than fifty dollars nor more than two hundred dollars.

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