

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 231 by Representative Ligi

CRIME/MISDEMEANOR: Prohibits the sale of dogs and cats at certain public locations

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Removes the "exchange" or "offer to exchange" dogs or cats as elements of the crime.
2. Removes the sale of dogs or cats at flea markets or on commercial or retail parking lots as elements of the crime.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Proposed law provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to offer for sale or to sell any dog or cat on any highway, right-of-way, public park, public playground, public swimming pool, any other public recreational area, or adjacent property to such locations.

Proposed law creates exceptions for animal adoption days sponsored by animal welfare groups, sales occurring entirely on private property, sales at competitive cat or dog shows, and raffles for a dog or cat at certain fundraising events. Proposed law shall not apply to a retail pet store or licensed breeder.

Proposed law provides penalties of a fine of not more than \$250 for a first violation and not more than \$1,000 for second or subsequent violations.

(Adds R.S. 14:102.27)