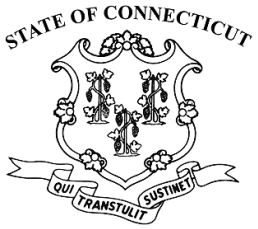

Senate Bill No. 1282

Public Act No. 25-7

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MINIMUM QUARANTINE FOR CERTAIN DOGS AND CATS EXPOSED TO RABIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 22-359f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

[Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, the Commissioner of Agriculture shall develop a waiver request process and form for the owner, keeper or veterinarian for any animal that was attacked and that may have been exposed to rabies as a result of such attack to request a reduction of the requisite quarantine period for such animal from six months to four months if such owner, keeper or veterinarian submits proof with such waiver request that such animal was vaccinated for rabies not more than ninety-six hours after such attack. Such waiver request process and form shall be: (1) Posted on the Internet web site of the Department of Agriculture, (2) made publicly available and accessible, and (3) made known to veterinarians throughout the state by said department.**]** <u>The owner or keeper of any animal that was attacked and that may have been exposed to rabies as a result of such attack shall quarantine the animal for a minimum of four months. The owner or keeper of the animal shall have such animal vaccinated against rabies as soon as medically appropriate. Such quarantine shall be provided as</u>

directed by a licensed veterinarian in this state or the State Veterinarian.

Governor's Action:
Approved May 29, 2025