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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources
From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: March 8, 2018
Subject: HB 2477—The Pet Animal Act

House Bill 2477, as amended by the House Committee of the Whole, would amend the Pet Animal Act.

License and Permit Deadline Date

The bill would change the license and permit renewal deadline for those licensed or permitted under the Pet Animal Act from June 30th to September 30th of each year. Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 and 12 reflect such date change.

Animal Shelter Temporary Care

Section 4(b) would provide that any individual with a written and signed agreement to provide temporary care for one or more dogs or cats owned by an animal shelter would not be required to be licensed. The animal shelter would be required to keep a current list of such individuals.

Prior Notice of Inspection

Section 5 would prohibit notice from being given prior to an inspection of a premises already licensed or permitted under the act.

License and Permit Fees

Section 8 subsection (a) would set the following maximum fee amounts for a new or renewed license or permit:

- Except as otherwise provided, \$450 for a premises of a person licensed under 7 U.S.C. § 2131 *et seq.*
- Except as otherwise provided, \$600 for any other premises
- \$250 for a hobby breeder or kennel operator
- \$400 for an animal shelter in a first-class city

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- \$335 for an animal shelter in a second-class city
- \$285 for an animal shelter in a third-class city

Section 8 subsection (a) would also provide that for any premises licensed under multiple categories, the bill would require payment for the most expensive license and then \$50 for each additional license. In addition, a late fee would be assessed if a license is not renewed prior to October 1.

Subsection (c) would provide that the commissioner shall charge a \$200 fee when a licensee, permittee or applicant requests an inspection of a premises.

Subsection (d) would require a \$200 no-contact fee if a person does not make a premises available within 30 minutes of the arrival of the inspector. It would also require a \$200 re-inspection fee be charged for any premises that fails an inspection. The owner of a premises that failed an inspection and failed to pay the re-inspection fee would have their license or permit revoked and would also be required to: Pay the fee for a new permit or license application; pass an initial inspection; and pay any past due fees before being issued a new license.

Effective Date

The bill would take effect upon publication in the Kansas register.