



Senate Fiscal Agency
P. O. Box 30036
Lansing, Michigan 48909-7536

BILL ANALYSIS



Telephone: (517) 373-5383
Fax: (517) 373-1986

House Bill 5916 (Substitute H-2 as reported without amendment)
House Bill 5917 (Substitute H-3 as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Representative Hank Vaupel
House Committee: Agriculture
Senate Committee: Agriculture

CONTENT

House Bill 5916 (H-2) would amend Public Act 287 of 1969, which governs pet shops, animal control shelters, and animal protection shelter, to do the following:

- Specify that in order to be a qualified pet shop, an owner, manager, or employee of the pet shop could not display, offer for sale, broker, give away, transfer, or sell a live dog from the shop to a person unless it was obtained from one of the sources specified in the bill.
- Specify that in order to be a qualified pet shop, an owner, manager, or employee of the pet shop could not display, offer for sale, broker, give away, transfer, or sell a dog unless it met certain requirements.
- Specify that in order to be a qualified pet shop, an owner, manager, or employee of the pet shop could not deliver, barter, auction, broker, give away, transfer, or sell a dog acquired from a qualified breeder or a dog retailer unless he or she provided to the person acquiring the dog, before the transaction, documentation that included the information specified by the bill.
- Specify that the bill would not apply to a dog that was being sold, delivered, bartered, auctioned, given away, brokered, or transferred from the premises where the dog was bred and reared.

House Bill 5917 (H-3) would create a new law to prohibit a local unit of government from enacting or enforcing an ordinance, policy, resolution, or rule that arbitrarily banned a qualified pet shop located in that local unit of government.

House Bill 5917 (H-3) is tie-barred to House Bill 5916.

MCL 287.335a (H.B. 5916)

Legislative Analyst: Jeff Mann

FISCAL IMPACT

House Bill 5916 (H-2) would have a minimal fiscal impact on the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) and local governments. The MDARD and local governments do not license or routinely inspect pet shops; the role of these governmental units with respect to pet shops is primarily complaint-based.

Date Completed: 12-13-18

Fiscal Analyst: Bruce Baker