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Introduced by Sen. TKACZYK -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Agriculture

AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to making the failure to provide appropriate shelter to a dog left outdoors a misdemeanor

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 2 of section 353-b of the  
2     agriculture and markets law, as added by chapter 594 of the laws of  
3     2003, is amended to read as follows:  
4     (a) Any person who owns or has custody or control of a dog that is  
5     left outdoors shall provide it with shelter appropriate to its breed,  
6     physical condition and the climate. Any person who knowingly violates  
7     the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a [violation, punishable  
8     by a fine of not less than fifty dollars nor more than one hundred  
9     dollars for a first offense, and a fine of not less than one hundred  
10    dollars nor more than two hundred fifty dollars for a second and subse-  
11    quent offenses] MISDEMEANOR. Beginning seventy-two hours after a charge  
12    of violating this section, each day that a defendant fails to correct  
13    the deficiencies in the dog shelter for a dog that he or she owns or  
14    that is in his or her custody or control and that is left outdoors, so  
15    as to bring it into compliance with the provisions of this section shall  
16    constitute a separate [offense] MISDEMEANOR.  
17    S 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall  
18    have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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