

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

April 7, 2021

Introduced by Sen. BOYLE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to disclosure of the cause of death of certain companion animals; and to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to authorizing the inspection of pet dealers' facilities upon certain deaths of companion animals

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 6714 of the education law is amended by adding a  
2 new subdivision 5 to read as follows:

3 5. A veterinarian licensed pursuant to this article shall disclose the  
4 cause of death and may disclose any other relevant records for a compan-  
5 ion animal to the department of agriculture and markets when such  
6 companion animal's death is due to illness, disease, or congenital  
7 condition and such death occurs within six months of the owner obtaining  
8 such companion animal from a pet dealer, as defined in section four  
9 hundred of the agriculture and markets law. Such disclosure shall be  
10 made on a form provided by the department of agriculture and markets and  
11 shall include the name and address of the pet dealer from which the  
12 companion animal was obtained.

13 § 2. Section 405 of the agriculture and markets law is amended by  
14 adding a new subdivision 4 to read as follows:

15 4. The commissioner or his or her authorized agents may conduct an  
16 inspection of pet dealers' facilities whenever in the discretion of the  
17 commissioner or his or her authorized agents a disclosure required  
18 pursuant to subdivision five of section sixty-seven hundred fourteen of  
19 the education law warrants such investigation.

20 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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