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AN ACT to amend the agricultural and markets law, in relation to horses

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

Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 350 of the agriculture and markets law, as added by chapter 569 of the laws of 1995, is amended to read as follows:

4. "Farm animal", as used in this article, means any ungulate, poultry, species of cattle, sheep, swine, goats, llamas[, horses] or fur-bearing animals, as defined in section 11-1907 of the environmental conservation law, which are raised for commercial or subsistence purposes. Fur-bearing animal shall not include dogs or cats.

S 2. Section 350 of the agriculture and markets law is amended by adding a new subdivision 6 to read as follows:

6. "EQUINE COMPANION", AS USED IN THIS ARTICLE, MEANS ANY HORSE SO USED FOR RECREATIONAL PURSUITS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO: RACING, JUMPING, SHOWING, REHABILITATIVE PURPOSES OR OTHERWISE TREATED IN AN OPEN AND KNOWN FASHION AS A "COMPANION ANIMAL" OR "PET" AS DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION FIVE OF THIS SECTION.

S 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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