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I N A S S E M B L Y

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Introduced by M. of A. GLICK, SCHIMEL, MAISEL, REILLY, SWEENEY --
Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. CERETTO, THIELE -- read once and
referred to the Committee on Agriculture

AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to increas-
ing the punishment for the abandonment of animals

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

1 Section 1. Section 355 of the agriculture and markets law, as amended
2 by chapter 458 of the laws of 1985, is amended to read as follows:
3 S 355. Abandonment of animals. A person being the owner or possessor,
4 or having charge or custody of an animal, who abandons such animal, or
5 leaves it to die in a street, road or public place, or who allows such
6 animal, if it [become] BECOMES disabled, to lie in a public street, road
7 or public place more than three hours after he OR SHE receives notice
8 that it is left disabled, is guilty of a [misdemeanor] CLASS E FELONY,
9 punishable by imprisonment for not more than [one year] FOUR YEARS, or
10 by a fine of not more than [one] FIVE thousand dollars, or by both.
11 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-
12 ing the date upon which it shall have become a law.

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

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