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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring research
  dogs and cats at certain facilities to be offered for placement with a
  non-profit animal rescue and shelter organization

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

 1   Section 1. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as
 2 the "Research animal retirement act".
 3   S 2. The education law is amended by adding a new section 239-b to
 4 read as follows:
 5   S 239-B. RESEARCH DOGS AND CATS. A HIGHER EDUCATION RESEARCH FACILITY
 6 THAT RECEIVES PUBLIC MONEY, INCLUDING TAX-EXEMPT STATUS, OR A FACILITY
 7 THAT PROVIDES RESEARCH IN COLLABORATION WITH A HIGHER EDUCATION FACILI-
 8 TY, AND OTHER RELATED RESEARCH FACILITIES THAT CONFINES DOGS OR CATS FOR
 9 SCIENCE OR RESEARCH PURPOSES SHALL OFFER THE DOGS OR CATS TO NON-PROFIT
10 ANIMAL RESCUE AND SHELTER ORGANIZATIONS FOR ADOPTION PRIOR TO EUTHANIZ-
11 ING SUCH ANIMALS, AFTER THE COMPLETION OF ANY TESTING OR RESEARCH WHERE
12 THE ANIMAL'S DESTRUCTION IS NOT REQUIRED AND THE ANIMAL IS NO LONGER
13 NEEDED. A FACILITY THAT IS REQUIRED TO OFFER DOGS OR CATS TO NON-PROFIT
14 ANIMAL RESCUE AND SHELTER ORGANIZATIONS UNDER THIS SECTION MAY ENTER
15 INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NON-PROFIT ANIMAL RESCUE AND SHELTER ORGANIZA-
16 TIONS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION.
17   S 3. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall
18 have become a law, provided that the state education department is
19 authorized to promulgate any and all rules and regulations and take any
20 other measures necessary to implement this act on its effective date, on
21 or before such date.

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