

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

February 23, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. SANTABARBARA, RIVERA, STECK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Agriculture -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to the disposition of cats

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 374 of the agriculture and markets  
2 law, as amended by chapter 449 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read  
3 as follows:

4 2. In the absence of such findings or certification, a duly incorpo-  
5 rated humane society, a duly incorporated society for the prevention of  
6 cruelty to animals, or any pound maintained by or under contract or  
7 agreement with any county, city, town or village may after five days  
8 make available for adoption or have humanely destroyed in accordance  
9 with the provisions of this section and subject to subdivisions six,  
10 eight and nine of section one hundred [~~eighteen~~ seventeen of this chap-  
11 ter, any animal of which possession is taken as provided for in the  
12 preceding section, unless the same is earlier redeemed by its owner;  
13 provided, however, that any cat whose owner cannot be identified by a  
14 collar, tag, microchip, tattoo or other identifying mark may after three  
15 days be made available solely for the purposes of adoption and be  
16 released to an adoptive owner following an examination by a duly-li-  
17 censed veterinarian, the details of which shall be provided to the adop-  
18 tive owner.

19 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
20 have become a law; provided, however, that effective immediately, the  
21 addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary  
22 for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized  
23 and directed to be made and completed on or before such effective date.

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

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