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Introduced by M. of A. BARNWELL, COOK, CRUZ, EPSTEIN -- Multi-Sponsored
by -- M. of A. BYRNE, GLICK, OTIS -- read once and referred to the
Committee on Agriculture

AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to limiting
licensing to only pet dealers which sell animals obtained from shel-
ters and rescue organizations

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

1 Section 1. Section 403 of the agriculture and markets law is amended
2 by adding a new subdivision 12 to read as follows:

3 12. No pet dealer shall display, sell, deliver, offer for sale,
4 barter, auction, give away, broker or otherwise transfer or dispose of
5 an animal unless it is obtained from:

6 (a) an animal shelter;

7 (b) a private, nonprofit humane society or nonprofit animal rescue
8 organization; or

9 (c) an animal shelter, nonprofit humane society or nonprofit animal
10 rescue organization that operates out of or in connection with a pet
11 dealer.

12 Nothing shall prevent a pet dealer from providing space and appropri-
13 ate care for animals owned by an animal shelter, nonprofit humane socie-
14 ty or nonprofit animal rescue agency and maintained by a pet dealer for
15 the purpose of adopting those animals to the public.

16 § 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall
17 have become a law.

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

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