

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

February 23, 2022

Introduced by M. of A. McDONALD -- read once and referred to the Committee on Agriculture

AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to authorizing the return of a dog to its owner or custodian

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

1 Section 1. Section 117 of the agriculture and markets law is amended
2 by adding a new subdivision 1-a to read as follows:

3 1-a. Notwithstanding the seizure requirements provided in subdivision
4 one of this section, dog control officer or peace officer, acting pursu-
5 ant to his or her special duties, or police officer in the employ of or
6 under contract to a municipality may, if there is no probable cause to
7 believe the dog is dangerous, return any dog with a current license
8 directly to the dog's owner or custodian of record at the address
9 provided on such dog's license.

10 § 2. 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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