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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1676

5 By: Representative Beaty Jr.
6 By: Senator Gilmore
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING CERTAIN DIAGNOSTIC
10 SERVICES AND TESTING RELATED TO ANIMALS; TO AMEND THE
11 LAW CONCERNING LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY DIAGNOSTIC
12 SERVICES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CANINE
13 BRUCELLOSIS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 2-33-111(a), concerning Arkansas Livestock
28 and Poultry Commission rules concerning services performed by the Arkansas
29 Livestock and Poultry Commission Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, is amended
30 to read as follows:

31 (a) The Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission may promulgate rules
32 concerning services performed by the Arkansas ~~Livestock and Poultry~~
33 ~~Commission~~ Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory.
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35 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 2-40-110(a), concerning requirements if a
36 dog tests positive for canine brucellosis, is amended to read as follows:



1 (a)(1) If a dog tests positive for canine brucellosis, the owner
2 shall:

3 (A) Report the test results to the ~~Arkansas Livestock and~~
4 ~~Poultry Commission~~ Department of Agriculture;

5 (B) Immediately have the dog neutered, spayed, or
6 euthanized; and

7 (C) Immediately test all other sexually intact dogs on the
8 premises for canine brucellosis.

9 (2) If the owner is unknown, then the person having custody of
10 the dog shall comply with this section.

11 (3) The sale or adoption of sexually intact dogs from a positive
12 premises is prohibited.

13 (4) A dog that has tested positive for canine brucellosis and
14 that has been neutered or spayed shall have a subsequent negative test before
15 leaving the premises.

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