## Amendment No. 463

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 405	(BDR 14-10)						
Proposed by: Senate Committee on Judiciary							
Amends: Summary: Yes Title: Yes Preamble: No Jo	oint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes						

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of <u>green bold underlining</u> is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) <u>red-strikethrough</u> is deleted language in the original bill; (4) <u>purple double strikethrough</u> is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) <u>orange double underlining</u> is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.

DLJ/JRS Date: 4/23/2017

S.B. No. 405—Requires the establishment and use of a statewide animal abuser registry. (BDR 14-10)

## SENATE BILL NO. 405-SENATORS MANENDO AND PARKS

March 20, 2017

JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYWOMEN SWANK, COHEN; AND SPIEGEL

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Requires the establishment and use of [a statewide] an animal abuser registry. website. (BDR 14-10)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City Jail or Detention

Facility.

Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets formitted material; is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to abuse of animals; requiring the Director of the State Department of [Public Safety] Agriculture to contract with a nonprofit organization to establish fa-statewidel and maintain an animal abuser registry [:] website; requiring persons convicted of certain offenses against animals to register with the [statewide] animal abuser\_registry\_\(\frac{\foats}{2}\) website; requiring courts to notify certain defendants of the requirements for registration; <del>[requiring the</del> Department of Public Safety to establish setting forth certain requirements for [an] the establishment and maintenance of the animal abuser registry website; imposing certain restrictions on the use of information obtained from the animal abuser registry website; requiring certain persons engaged in selling animals and adoption of animals to access the animal abuser registry website before selling an animal or allowing the adoption of an animal; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Section [8] 30.2 of this bill tereates the prequires the Director of the State Department of Agriculture to contract with a nonprofit organization to establish and maintain a statewide animal abuser registry tin the Central Repository for Newada Records of Criminal History, and section 9] website. Section 30 of this bill requires the establishment of an a person convicted of certain felonies or gross misdemeanors related to animals to register with the animal abuser registry website. They the Central Repository. A person may query the animal abuser registry website to access information about a person convicted of those

 offenses against animals for which registration is required. Sections [8 and 9 also] 30.6 and 30.8 of this bill provide certain prohibitions against misuse of the information [in] on the registry [and on the] website, and [limit] section 30.4 of this bill limits the amount of information that is available from the registry [and the] website. Section 30.4 sets forth the information a person required to register is required to provide, and provides that such information is limited to only that information which is a public record as a result of the person's conviction. Section 1 of this bill requires a court, upon conviction and sentencing a person to an offense against animals for which registration is required, to provide the defendant with notice of the requirements of registration.

[Sections 22 and 30 of this bill require registration in the statewide animal abuse registry in the Central Repository by each person who is convicted of: (1) a follow for a violation of the provision prohibiting certain acts relating to fighting between animals; (2) a follow for a violation of the provision prohibiting certain acts of animal cruelty; and (3) a mindemeaner for a violation of the provision prohibiting certain acts against an animal, including, without limitation, torture, maining, abandoning, depriving of food or water or killing. (NRS 574.070, 574.100)] Section 30 [alse] provides that the person is prohibited from owning, possessing or caring for an animal for a period of: (1) 10 years for a felony conviction; and (2) 5 years for a gross misdemeanor conviction. A violation of this prohibition or failing to register with the bill 30 also provides that the period of required is a misdemeanor. Section [25 of this bill] 30 also provides that the period of required registration [also] lasts for 10 years for a felony conviction, and 5 years for a gross misdemeanor conviction.

Éxisting law imposes certain duties on operators of commercial establishments engaged in the business of selling animals and operators of animal shelters. (NRS 574.360-574.440) Section 31 of this bill requires the operator to access the animal abuser registry website before selling an animal to a person or allowing a person to adopt an animal, and prohibits the operator from selling an animal to or allowing adoption of an animal by a person prohibited by section 30 from owning, possessing or caring for an animal.

Existing law prohibits animal breeders from selling a dog or cat under certain circumstances. (NRS 574.356) **Section 37** of this bill requires a breeder to access the animal abuser <u>registry</u> website before selling a dog or cat to a person, and prohibits the breeder from selling a dog or cat to a person prohibited by **section 30** from owning, possessing or caring for an animal.

Existing law imposes certain duties and prohibitions on dealers of dogs or cats for resale and retailers of pets for resale. (NRS 574.450-574.510) **Section 38** of this bill requires a dealer or retailer to access the animal abuser <u>registry</u> website before selling a dog or cat to a person, and prohibits the dealer or retailer from selling a dog or cat to a person prohibited by **section 30** from owning, possessing or caring for an animal.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Chapter 176 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

- 1. If a defendant is convicted of a felony or a gross misdemeanor for a violation of [NRS 574.070 or 574.100 or a misdemeanor for a violation of subsection 1 of NRS 574.100,] NRS 574.050 to 574.200, inclusive, the court shall, following the imposition of a sentence:
- (a) Inform the defendant of the requirements for registration, including, without limitation:
- (1) The duty to register with the flocal law enforcement agency of the jurisdiction in which the defendant was convicted animal abuser registry website pursuant to section [22] 30 of this act.
- (2) If the defendant changes his or her name or residence, the duty to notify the fappropriate local law enforcement agencies animal abuser registry website pursuant to section f24f 30 of this act.

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- (3) The full period of registration required pursuant to section  $\frac{(25)}{30}$  of this act.
- (b) Require the defendant to read and sign a form stating that the requirements for registration have been explained and that the defendant understands the requirements for registration.
- The failure to provide the defendant with the information or confirmation form required by paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection 1 does not affect the duty of the defendant to register and to comply with all other provisions
- for registration pursuant to sections [17 to 26,] 30 to 30.8, inclusive, of this act.

  Sec. 2. [Chapter 179B of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the et forth as sections 3 to 9, inclusive, of this act.] (Deleted by provisions ( amendment.)
- Sec. 3. As used in sections 3 to 9, inclusive, of this act, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in sections 4 to 7, inclusive, of this act, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections. [ (Deleted by amendment.)
  - Sec. 4. ["Animal abuser" means a person convicted of a: 1. Felony for a violation of NRS 574.070 or 574.100; or Sec. 4.
- 2. Misdemeanor for a violation of subsection 1 of NRS 574.100.] (Deleted by amendment.)
- Sec. 5. ["Animal abuser website" means the website on the Internet established and maintained by the Department pursuant to section 9 of this act. (Deleted by amendment.)
- Sec. 6. ["Record of animal abuser registration" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 19 of this act. (Deleted by amendment.)
- Sec. 7. ["Statewide animal abuser registry" means the statewide registry of animal abusers established within the Central Repository pursuant to section 8 of this act. (Deleted by amendment.)
- Sec. 8. [1. The Director shall establish within the Central Repository a statewide animal abuser registry that consists of the record of animal abuser registration for each animal abuser and all other information concerning each animal abuser that is obtained pursuant to law.
- 2. The statewide animal abuser registry must be organized so that a law enforcement officer may search the records of animal abuser registration in the registry by entering search information, including, without limitation:
- (a) A name, alias, physical description or address of an animal abuser.
  - (b) A geographic location where an offense was committed.
  - (e) A species, breed or general physical description of an animal victim.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection or by a specific statute, information in the statewide animal abuser registry may be accessed only by a law enforcement officer in the regular course of the law enforcement officer's duties and officers and employees of the Central Repository. The Director may permit a person access to information in the statewide animal abuser registry for the limited purposes of research or statistical analysis.
- 4. Information contained in the statewide animal abuser registry, including, without limitation, the record of animal abuser registration of an animal abuser, shall be deemed a record of criminal history only for the purposes of those provisions of chapter 179A of NRS that are consistent with the provisions of this chapter./ (Deleted by amendment.)
- Sec. 9. [1. The Department shall establish and maintain within the Central Repository an animal abuser website to provide the public with access to limited information contained in the statewide animal abuser registry in accordance with the procedures set forth in this section.

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- The animal abuser website is the source of record for information available to the public concerning animal abusers listed in the statewide animal abuser registry, and must:
- (a) Be maintained in a manner that allows the public to obtain relevant information for each animal abuser by a single query for any name by the usery
- (b) Include, to the extent practicable, links to educational resources relating
- (e) Include instructions on the manner in which a person may obtain a correction of information that the person contends is erroneous; and
- (d) Include a warning that the information on the animal abuser website should not be used unlawfully to injure, harass or commit a crime against any person named in the registry and a notice that any such action may result in a
- 3. For each inquiry to the animal abuser website, the requester may
  - (a) The name of the subject of the search;
  - (b) Any alias of the subject of the search; or
- (e) Any other information concerning the identity of the subject of the search that is deemed sufficient by the Department.
- 4. For each inquiry to the animal abuser website made by the requester, the
- (a) Explain the requirements for registration of animal abusers pursuant to sections 17 to 26, inclusive, of this act; and
- (b) Explain that the Central Repository is prohibited by law from disclosing all information concerning animal abusers, even if those animal abusers are listed in the statewide animal abuser registry.
- 5. If an animal abuser listed in the statewide animal abuser registry matches the information provided by the requester concerning the identity of the subject of the search, the Central Repository shall disclose to the requester information in the statewide animal abuser registry concerning the animal abuser in accordance with subsection 6.
- 6. After each inquiry to the animal abuser website made by the requester, the Central Repository shall inform the requester that:
- (a) No animal abuser listed in the statewide animal abuser registry matches the information provided by the requester concerning the identity of the subject of
- (b) The search of the statewide animal abuser registry has not produced information that is available to the public through the statewide animal abuser
- (e) An animal abuser listed in the statewide animal abuser registry matches the information provided by the requester concerning the identity of the subject of the search. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, if a search of the statewide animal abuser registry results in a match pursuant to this paragraph, the Central Repository shall provide the requester with the following information:
- (1) The name of the animal abuser and all aliases that the animal abuser has used or under which the animal abuser has been known.
  - (2) A complete physical description of the animal abuser.
- 48 (3) A current photograph of the animal abuser.
  - (4) The year of birth of the animal abuser.
  - (5) The following information for each offense for which the animal abuser has been convicted:
  - (I) The offense that was committed, including a citation to and the text of the specific statute that the animal abuser violated.

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                  (II) The species of animal or animals involved in the offense for
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       which the animal abuser was convicted.
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           7. If a search of the statewide animal abuser registry results in a match
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       pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 6, the Central Repository shall not
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      provide the requester with:
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          (a) The social security number of the animal abuser;
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          (b) The address where the animal abuser resides;
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          (e) Any reference to arrests of the animal abuser that did not result in
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          (d) Any other information that is included in the record of animal abuser
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       registration for the animal abuser other than the information required pursuant
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       to paragraph (e) of subsection 6.
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          8. A person may not use any information obtained through the animal
       abuser website as a substitute for information relating to the offenses listed in
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       subsection 4 of NRS 1794.190 that must be provided by the Central Repository
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          9. The provisions of this section do not prevent law enforcement officers,
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       the Central Repository and its officers and employees, or any other person from:
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          (a) Accessing information in the statewide animal abuser registry pursuant
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       to section 8 of this act;
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          (b) Carrying out any duty pursuant to chapter 170D of NRS; or
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          (e) Carrying out any duty pursuant to another provision of law.] (Deleted by
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       amendment.)
                     [NRS 179B.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:
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          Sec. 10.
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           179B.100
                      "Requester" means a person who requests information from the
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       community notification website [.] or animal abuser website, as applicable.]
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       (Deleted by amendment.)
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          Sec. 11.
                     NRS 179B.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:
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           170B.270 Except as otherwise authorized pursuant to specific statute,
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       person shall not use information obtained from the community notification website
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       or the animal abuser website for any purpose related to any of the following:
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              Insurance, including health insurance.
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               Education, scholarships or fellowships.
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              Benefits, privileges or services provided by any business establishment.
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          Sec. 12. [NRS 179B.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:
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           170B.280 Any person who uses information obtained from the community
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       notification website in violation of the provisions of NRS 179B.250 or 179B.270 or
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      from the animal abuser website in violation of section 9 of this act or NRS
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       179B.270 is liable:
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          1. In a civil action brought by or on behalf of a person injured by the
       violation, for damages, attorney's fees and costs incurred as the result of the
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          2. In a civil action brought in the name of the State of Nevada by the Attorney
       General, for a civil penalty not to exceed $25,000 and for the costs of the action,
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       including investigative costs and attorney's fees. (Deleted by amendment.)
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Sec. 13. [NRS 179B.285 is hereby amended to read as follows: 170B.285 In addition to any civil liability provided pursuant to NRS 170B.280, if any person uses information obtained from the community notification website or the animal abuser website to commit a crime punishable as:

A misdemeanor, the person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

2. A gross misdemeanor, the person is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.] (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 14. NRS 179B.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 170B.200 1. If there is reasonable cause to believe that a person or group of persons has engaged in or is about to engage in any act or practice, or any pattern of acts or practices, which involves the use of information obtained from the community notification website or the animal abuser website and which violates any provision of this section, NRS 179B.250, 179B.270 or 179B.280, or section 9 of this act, the Attorney General may file an action for injunctive relief in the appropriate district court to prevent the occurrence or continuance of that act or practice or pattern of acts or practices.
  - An injunction pursuant to this section:
- (a) May be issued without proof of actual damage sustained by any person; and (b) Does not preclude or affect the availability of any other remedy including, without limitation, the criminal prosecution of a violator or the filing or maintenance of a civil action for damages or a civil penalty pursuant to NRS

179B.280.1 (Deleted by amendment.)

- Sec. 15. [NRS 179B.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 179B.300 1. Information in the statewide registry [,] or the statewide animal abuser registry, including information in the community notification website [,] or the animal abuser website, that is accessed or disclosed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter must not reveal the name of an individual victim of an offense.
- 2. The Central Repository and its officers and employees are immune from criminal or civil liability for an act or omission relating to information obtained, maintained or disclosed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, including, but not limited to, an act or omission relating to:
- (a) The accuracy of information in the statewide registry [;] and the statewide animal abuser registry; or
- (b) The disclosure of or the failure to disclose information in the statewide registry [.] or the statewide animal abuser registry.
- 3. A law enforcement agency and its officers and employees are immune from criminal or civil liability for an act or omission relating to information obtained pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, including, but not limited to, an act or omission relating to:
- (a) The accuracy of information obtained from the statewide registry [;] or the statewide animal abuser registry; or
- (b) The disclosure of or the failure to disclose information obtained from the statewide registry [.] or the statewide animal abuser registry.] (Deleted by amendment.)
- [Chapter 179D of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the Sec. 16. provisions set forth as sections 17 to 26, inclusive, of this act. (Deleted by amendment.)
- Sec. 17. As used in sections 17 to 26, inclusive, of this act, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in sections 18 and 19 of this act have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections. [Deleted by amendment.)

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Sec. 18. ["Animal abuser" has the meaning ascribed to in in section 4 of
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       this act.! (Deleted by amendment.)
          Sec. 19. ["Record of animal abuser registration" means a record of animal
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      abuser registration that contains the information required by section 20 of this
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           Sec. 20. [1. A record of animal abuser registration must include, if the
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       information is available:
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          (a) Information identifying the animal abuser, including, without limitation:
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              (1) The name of the animal abuser and all aliases that the animal abuser
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       has used or under which he or she has been known;
              (2) A complete physical description of the animal abuser, a current
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       photograph of the animal abuser and the fingerprints and palm prints of the
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             (3) The date of birth and the social security number of the animal
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       eard issued to the animal abuser by this State or any other jurisdiction and a
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              (5) Information indicating whether the DNA profile and DNA record of
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       the animal abuser has been entered in CODIS; and
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              (6) Any other information that identifies the animal abuser.
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           (b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c), information concerning
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       the residence of the animal abuser, including, without limitation:
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              (1) The address at which the animal abuser resides; and
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              (2) The length of time the animal abuser has resided at that address.
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           (c) If the animal abuser does not have a fixed residence, the address of any
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       dwelling that is providing the animal abuser temporary shelter, or any other
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       location where the animal abuser habitually sleeps, including, without limitation,
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       the cross streets, intersection, direction and identifiable landmarks of the city,
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       county, state and zip code of that location.
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          (d) The following information for each offense for which the animal abuser
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       has been convicted:
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              (1) The court in which the animal abuser was convicted;
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              (2) The offense for which the animal abuser was convicted; and
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              As used in this section:
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           (a) "CODIS" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 176.00113.
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           (b) "DNA profile" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 176.09115.
           (c) "DNA record" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 176.09116.
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           Sec. 21. 11. Except as otherwise provided by a specific statute, the
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       contents of a record of animal abuser registration:
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          (a) Are confidential and not subject to inspection by the general public.
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          (b) May be inspected only by a law enforcement officer during the regular
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       record of animal abuser registration.
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          (b) A sheriff of a county or a sheriff's deputy;
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52 53 Sec. 27. [NRS 179D.075 is hereby amended to read as follows:
179D.075 "Registration" means registration as an offender or sex offender pursuant to NRS 179D.010 to 179D.550, inclusive [.], or registration as an animal abuser pursuant to sections 17 to 26, inclusive, of this act, as applicable.] (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 28. INRS 239.010 is hereby amended to read as follows: Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 1.4683 <del>. 49.095, 62D.420, 62D.440, 62E.516, 62E.620, 62H.025</del> 62H.030, 62H.170, 62H.220, 62H.320, 75A.100, 75A.150, 76.160, 78.152, 80.113 81.850, 82.183, 86.246, 86.54615, 87.515, 87.5413, 87A.200, 87A.580, 87A.640, 3355, 88.5927, 88.6067, 88A.345, 88A.7345, 89.045, 89.251, 90.730, 91.160, 116.757, 116A.270, 116B.880, 118B.026, 119.260, 119.265, 119.267, 119. 119B.370, 119B.382. 119A.280, 119A.653, 120A.690, 126.730. 126.161. 126.163, 127.007 127.057 126,141 130.712 172.245, 136.05Ó 172.075 159.044 176.09129, 176.156, 176A.630, 178.39801, 178.4715, 179A.450. 170D 160 200.604, 202.3662, 205.4651, 209.392, 209.3925, 209.419, 209.521 -213.010, 213.040, 213.095, 213.131, 217.105, 217.110, 217.464 218E.625. 218F.150, 218G.130, 218G.240, 228.570, 231.069, 231.1473, 228.450, 228.495, · 233,190 239.0113, 239B.030, 239B.040, 239B.050, 239.0105 230C 250 230C 270 240 007 241 020 241 030 241 030 244.264, 244.335, 250.087, 250.130, 250.140, 250.150, 268.095, 268.490, 268.910, 271A.105, 281.105, 281A.350, 281A.440, 281A.550, 284.4068, 286.110, 287.0438, 293.503 <del>289.025, 289.080, 289.387, 289.830, 293.5002,</del> 203.558 333.335 238.070, 331.110, 332.061, 332.351. <del>. 333.333</del> 338.16925、338.1725、338.1727、348.420、349.597、349.775、353.205、353A.049、 353A.085、353A.100、353C.240、360.240、360.247、360.255、360.755、361.044、 361.610, 365.138, 366.160, 368A.180, 372A.080, 378.290, 385B.100, 387.626, 387.631, 388.1455 388.513, 388.750, 391.035, 392.029, 392.147, 392.264, 392.271, 392.850 204.1698 <del>, 394.447, 394.460, 394.465, 396.3295, 396.405,</del> 396 525 398.403, 408.3885, 408.3886, 408.3888, 408.5484, 412.153, 416.070, 422.2749 422A.350, 425.400, 427A.1236. 427A 872 432B 175 432B.280 432B.290 432B.407. 432B.430 432B.560 3A.360, 439.840, 439B.420, 440.170, 441A.195, 441A.220, 441A.230, 442 449.720, <u>445A.665, 445B.570, 449.209, 449.245,</u> 450.140 453.720, 453A.610, 453A.700, 458.055, 458.280, 459.050, 459.3866, 459 7056 459.846, 463.120, 463.15993, 463.240, 463.3403, , 481.063, 482.170, 482.5536, 483.340, 485.316, 503.452, 522.040, 534A.031 484E.070 598.0964, 598.098, 598A.110, 604A.710 616B.012, 616B.015, 616B.315, 612.265 618.341, 618.425, 622.310, 623.131, 623A.137, 624.110, 624.265 625A.185, 628.418, 628B.230, 628B.760, 629.047. 629,069 630.30665, 630.336, 630A.555, 631.368, 632.121, 632.125 632.405 633.524, 634.055 634.214, 634A.185, 635.158 637B.288. 638.087. 638.089. 639.2485, 639.570, 640.075, 640A.220, 640B 640C.400, 640C.745, 640C.760, 640D.190, 640E.340, 641.090, 641B.170, 641C.760, 642.524, 643.180, 644.446, 645.180, 645.625, 645A.082, 645B.060, 645B.092, 645C.220, 645C.225, 645D.130, 645E.300, 645E.375, 645G.510, 645H.320, 645H.330, 647.0945

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governmental entity may not reject a book or record which copyrighted solely because it is copyrighted.

3. A governmental entity that has legal custody or control of a public book or record shall not deny a request made pursuant to subsection 1 to inspect or copy receive a copy of a public book or record on the basis that the requested public book or record contains information that is confidential if the governmental entity can redact, delete, conceal or separate the confidential information from the information included in the public book or record that is not otherwise confidential.

 A person may request a copy of a public record in any medium in which
the public record is readily available. An officer, employee or agent of a governmental entity who has legal custody or control of a public record:

(a) Shall not refuse to provide a copy of that public record in a readily available medium because the officer, employee or agent has already prepared or would prefer to provide the copy in a different medium.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.030, shall, upon request, prepare the copy of the public record and shall not require the person who has requested the y to prepare the copy himself or herself.] (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 29. Chapter 574 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 30 [and] to 31, inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 30. 1. A person who is convicted of a felony for fat any violation of fNRS 574.070 or 574.100: the provisions of NRS 574.050 to 574.200, inclusive:

(a) Shall register with fa local law enforcement agency the animal abuse registry website established and maintained pursuant to [section 22] sections 30.4 and 30.6 of this act.

(b) Shall not own, possess or care for any animal for 10 years beginning on the date of conviction, exclusive of any period during which the fanimal abuser! person is incarcerated or confined for such conviction.

2. A person who is convicted of a gross misdemeanor for fal any violation of [subsection 1 of NRS 574.100:] NRS 574.050 to 574.200, inclusive:

(a) Shall register with <del>[a local law enforcement agency]</del> the animal abuser registry website established and maintained pursuant to [section 22] sections 30.4 and 30.6 of this act.

(b) Shall not own, possess or care for any animal for 5 years beginning on the date of conviction, exclusive of any period during which the fanimal abuser! 23456789 person is incarcerated or confined for such conviction. 3. A person required to register pursuant to this section must register not

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(a) The date on which the person is released from incarceration or confinement for the offense; or

(b) If the person is not sentenced to a term of imprisonment for the offense, the date on which the person was sentenced for the offense.

4. A person required to register pursuant to this section who changes his or her name or residence shall, not later than 3 business days after the change of name or residence, notify the animal abuser registry website of the change.

5. A violation of any provision of this section is a misdemeanor.

- Sec. 30.2. 1. The Director of the State Department of Agriculture shall, on behalf of the Department, contract with a nonprofit organization to establish and maintain an animal abuser registry website which meets the requirements of sections 30.4 and 30.6 of this act.
- To enter into a contract with the Department pursuant to subsection 1, a nonprofit organization must:
  - (a) Be bonded in the amount required by the Director.

(b) Have demonstrated the ability to:

- (1) Work with towns, cities and other local governmental entities on issues related to animals; and
- (2) Carry out the provisions of sections 30.4 to 30.8, inclusive, of this act. (c) Agree to carry out the provisions of this section and sections 30.4 to 30.8, inclusive, of this act at no cost to the Department or this State.
- 3. Any contract entered into by the Director pursuant to this section must provide that the Director may, if the nonprofit organization fails to meet the requirements of sections 30.2 to 30.8, inclusive, of this act, terminate the contract and seek another nonprofit organization with which to contract for the establishment, if necessary, and maintenance of the animal abuser registry website.
- Sec. 30.4. 1. A contract entered into with a nonprofit organization pursuant to section 30.2 of this act must require the nonprofit organization to:
- (a) Establish and maintain an animal abuser registry website which must be organized so that:
- (1) A person required to register pursuant to section 30 of this act may provide the information required in subsection 2.
- (2) The animal abuser registry website meets the requirements of section 30.6 of this act.
- (b) Ensure that the information contained in the animal abuser registry is, to the greatest extent practicable, accurate and current.
- Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, a person required to register pursuant to section 30 of this act must provide, upon registration:
  - (a) His or her full legal name.
  - (b) A recent photo of the person.
- (c) Each offense for which the person was convicted that resulted in the requirement to register pursuant to section 30 of this act.
- 49 (d) The period, pursuant to section 30 of this act, for which the person is 50 prohibited from owning, possessing or caring for any animal. 51
  - 3. Any information provided by a person pursuant to subsection 2 is a public record. The provisions of this section must not be construed to require the person to provide any information that is not a public record as a result of the

person's conviction for each offense which resulted in the requirement to register pursuant to section 30 of this act.

Sec. 30.6. A nonprofit organization that establishes an animal abuser registry website pursuant to section 30.4 of this act shall maintain the animal abuser registry in a manner that:

1. Allows the public to obtain information for each person in the animal abuser registry in accordance with subsection 3 of section 30.4 of this act.

2. Includes instructions on the manner in which a person may obtain a

correction of information that the person contends is erroneous.

- 3. Includes a warning that the information on the animal abuser registry website may not be used unlawfully to injure, harass or commit a crime against any person named in the animal abuser registry website or in a way that violates the provisions of subsection 1 of section 30.8 of this act, and that any such action may result in a civil or criminal penalty.
- 4. Does not allow the public access to information about a person included in the animal abuser registry website other than the information the person is required to provide pursuant to subsection 2 of section 30.4 of this act.
- Sec. 30.7. A nonprofit organization that contracts with the State Department of Agriculture pursuant to section 30.2 of this act shall, on or before January 15 of each odd-numbered year and upon approval by the Director, prepare and submit to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmission to the Legislature a report concerning the animal abuser registry website. The report must include, without limitation:
- 1. The number of persons registered each year on the animal abuser registry website; and
- 2. The number of times the animal abuser registry website is viewed each year.
- Sec. 30.8. 1. Information obtained from the animal abuser registry website may not be used for any purpose relating to any of the following:
  - (a) Insurance, including health insurance.
- *(b) Loans.*

- (c) Credit.
  - (d) Employment.
- (e) Education, scholarships or fellowships.
  - (f) Housing or accommodations.
- (g) Except as otherwise provided in section 31 of this act and NRS 574.356 and 574.510, benefits, privileges or services provided by any business establishment.
- 2. Any person who uses information from the animal abuser registry website in violation of the provisions of subsection 3 of section 30.6 of this act or this section is liable in a civil action brought by or on behalf of a person injured by the violation, for damages, attorney's fees and costs incurred as the result of the violation.
- 3. The State Department of Agriculture, its officers and employees and any nonprofit organization that contracts with the Department pursuant to section 30.2 of this act to establish and maintain the animal abuser registry website and officers, employees and volunteers are immune from criminal or civil liability for an act or omission relating to information obtained, maintained or disclosed pursuant to the provisions of sections 30 to 30.8, inclusive, of this act, including, but not limited to, an act or omission relating to:
  - (a) The accuracy of information in the animal abuser registry website; or
- (b) The disclosure of or the failure to disclose information in the animal abuser registry website.

- Sec. 31. 1. Before selling an animal to a person or allowing the adoption of an animal by a person, an operator shall access the animal abuser registry website fereated established and maintained pursuant to feetion of this act to verify that the person is not prohibited from owning, possessing or caring for an animal.
- 2. An operator shall not sell an animal to or allow the adoption of an animal by a person who is prohibited from owning, possessing or caring for an animal pursuant to section 30 of this act.

Sec. 32. NRS 574.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 574.050 As used in NRS 574.050 to 574.200, inclusive [+], and [section 30] sections 30 to 30.8, inclusive, of this act:
- 1. "Animal" does not include the human race, but includes every other living creature.
- 2. "Animal abuser registry website" means the registry website established and maintained pursuant to sections 30.4 and 30.6 of this act.
- <u>3.</u> "First responder" means a person who has successfully completed the national standard course for first responders.
- [3.] 4. "Police animal" means an animal which is owned or used by a state or local governmental agency and which is used by a peace officer in performing his or her duties as a peace officer.
- [4.1] 5. "Torture" or "cruelty" includes every act, omission or neglect, whereby unjustifiable physical pain, suffering or death is caused or permitted.

Sec. 33. NRS 574.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 574.200 1. The provisions of NRS 574.050 to 574.510, inclusive, and sections 30 fand to 31, inclusive, of this act do not:
- (a) Interfere with any of the fish and game laws contained in title 45 of NRS or any laws for the destruction of certain birds.
- (b) Interfere with the right to destroy any venomous reptiles or animals, or any animal known as dangerous to life, limb or property.
  - (c) Interfere with the right to kill all animals and fowl used for food.
- (d) Prohibit or interfere with any properly conducted scientific experiments or investigations which are performed under the authority of the faculty of some regularly incorporated medical college or university of this State.

(e) Interfere with any scientific or physiological experiments conducted or prosecuted for the advancement of science or medicine.

- (f) Prohibit or interfere with established methods of animal husbandry, including the raising, handling, feeding, housing and transporting of livestock or farm animals.
- 2. Nothing contained in subsection 1 shall be deemed to exclude a research facility from the provisions of NRS 574.205.

Sec. 34. NRS 574.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 574.210 As used in NRS 574.210 to 574.510, inclusive, *and section 31 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 574.220 to 574.330, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.
  - **Sec. 35.** NRS 574.340 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 574.340 1. The provisions of NRS 574.210 to 574.510, inclusive, and feetions 30 and section 31 of this act do not apply to:
- (a) The exhibition, production, marketing or disposal of any livestock, poultry, fish or other agricultural commodity or animal.
- (b) Activities for which a license is required by the provisions of chapter 466 of NRS.

- (c) The housing of domestic cats or dogs kept as pets or cared for, without remuneration other than payment for reasonable expenses relating to the care of the cats or dogs, on behalf of another person in a home environment.
  - (d) The exhibition of dogs or cats.
  - 2. As used in this section:
  - (a) "Animal" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 564.010.
  - (b) "Livestock" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 569.0085.
  - Sec. 36. NRS 574.350 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 574.350 No member, agent or officer of a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals may enforce the provisions of NRS 574.210 to 574.510, inclusive [...], and [sections 30 and] section 31 of this act.
  - Sec. 37. NRS 574.356 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 574.356 1. Before selling a dog or cat to a person, a breeder shall access the animal abuser registry website ferented established and maintained pursuant to feetion 91 sections 30.4 and 30.6 of this act to verify that the person is not listed on the animal abuser registry website as being prohibited from owning, possessing or caring for a dog or cat.
  - 2. A breeder shall not:
  - [1.] (a) Sell a dog or cat:
  - (1) Unless the dog or cat has had:
- (1) A registered microchip subcutaneously inserted into the dog or cat; and
- [(2)] (II) All the required vaccinations for rabies which are appropriate based upon the age of the dog or cat; for
- (b)] (2) To a person who is prohibited from owning, possessing or caring for an animal pursuant to section 30 of this act; or
  - (3) Without providing a written sales contract to the purchaser; or
  - (b) Breed a female dog:
  - (a) Before she is 18 months old; or
  - (b) (2) More than once a year.
  - Sec. 38. NRS 574.510 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 574.510 1. A retailer or dealer who sells a dog or cat that the retailer or dealer knows has any illness, disease or other condition that is terminal or requires immediate hospitalization or immediate surgical intervention and fails to disclose such information at the time of sale is guilty of a misdemeanor. In addition to any other penalty that may be imposed, the court may prohibit a person convicted of a violation of this **[section]** subsection from selling any dogs or cats for not more than 1 year.
  - 2. A retailer or dealer:
- (a) Before selling a dog or cat to any person, must access the animal abuser registry website fercated established and maintained pursuant to feetion 9/2 sections 30.4 and 30.6 of this act to verify that the person is not listed on the animal abuser registry website as being prohibited from owning, possessing or caring for a dog or cat.
- (b) May not sell a dog or cat to a person who is prohibited from owning, possessing or caring for an animal pursuant to section 30 of this act.
- 3. For the purposes of this section, the presence of internal or external parasites does not constitute an illness, disease or other condition that is terminal or requires immediate hospitalization or immediate surgical intervention unless the dog or cat is clinically ill as a result of the parasite.
- Sec. 38.5. The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do not apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.

1 **Sec. 39.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.