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House Bill 347 (Ver I): Confidentiality of Animal Records

"An Act relating to the confidentiality of certain state records relating to animals; and providing for an effective date."

Sectional Analysis

Section 1: AS 03.05

It is amended by adding a new section, AS 03.05.084, Confidentiality of Certain Information, Exceptions. It states that a record containing information about an animal that is maintained by the Department of Environmental Conservation will carry out the requirements of this chapter including the record of sale, movement, unique identification number, or owner of an animal is confidential and not subject to disclosure under AS 40.25.100-40.25.295, if the record identifies a particular animal, breed of an animal, business, or individual; contains test results, or a record of test samples, for a particular animal; or contains trade secrets or proprietary business or financial information. It also states the Department of Environmental Conservation may disclose this information to state, federal, local government, or regional health corporation if the department feels there is a health or safety threat of an animal or to the public. The Department of Environmental Conservation shall, upon request, publicly disclose records subject to this section in a manner that prevents identification of a particular animal, individual, or business.

Section 2: The uncodified law of the State of Alaska, Transition: Regulations

This is amended by adding a new section. The Department of Environmental Conservation may adopt regulations necessary to implement this Act and takes effect under AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act), but not before the effective date.

Section 3: Section 2 of this act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

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