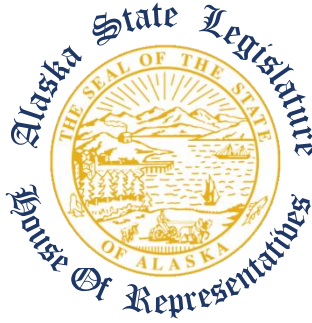


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### **Sponsor Statement**

*House Bill 347 - "An Act relating to the confidentiality of certain state records relating to animals; and providing for an effective date."*

HB 347 is an act allowing confidentiality to all owner's quadruped animals when getting their animals tested for things like contagious viruses.

The bill allows information on the results of those tests to be made available to those that ask, however, the owner's name and location is redacted for safety's sake. It allows the data needed to make accurate assessments from DEC and or the State Veterinarian to move forward in case of an outbreak but keeps the name of the owner from being made public.

The bill has taken 5 years to get this far, and the current version is accepted by most hunting groups and farmers alike.

Groups such as the Farm Bureau, SCI, the Alaskan Sheep Foundation, and the Department of Environmental Conservation all support its passing.

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