

## TFDC delegates:

You will find an updated version of the list I sent each one of you last week. There have been a few changes, but not many.

It is important your Clubs review, if necessary, the actual text of the bill on line. We need to establish our positioning for each and I will advise our Lobbyist of what direction our Group wants to take. Please talk with your Clubs and determine where you stand on these new pending bills. As soon as feedback comes in, I can let our Lobbyist know.

Another reminder on 2 issues. Dues need to be sent to Judy Russell. Her address is 4104 Lancashire Dr, Antioch, Tn. 37013. Home phone is 615-399-9395. \$500.00 for All Breed and \$100.00 for single Breed.

Our Annual meeting in on March 13 (Sat) at the Country Music Cluster Show after BIS. It will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor in the lunchroom. If you have questions about the meeting, email me.

Jon Cole

2-9-10

SB :  
3475\* State Summary: **Animals** and **Animal** Cruelty - As introduced, classifies a violation of certain prohibitions or restrictions placed upon a person convicted of **animal** cruelty by the sentencing court as a Class A misdemeanor. - Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 2 and Title 40. (S: [Jackson](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. WITHDRAWN 2-3-10. NO CHANGE  
TFDC – NO OPINION

SB :  
3508 State Summary: Wildlife Resources Commission - As introduced, authorizes representatives of  
HB certified **animal control** agencies to inspect Class I wildlife, facilities, and records. - Amends  
3554 TCA Title 7, Chapter 63, Part 2; Title 63, Chapter 12, Part 1 and Title 70, Chapter 4, Part 4. (S: [Yager](#); H: [Ferguson](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO S.E.C&T COM 2-1-10. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 2/1/2010. REF TO GOV OPER COM. 2-3-10

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB :  
3509 State Summary: Wildlife Resources Commission - As introduced, clarifies enclosure  
HB requirements for Class I wildlife. - Amends TCA Title 70, Chapter 4, Part 4. (S: [Yager](#); H: [Ferguson](#))

3619 **Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO S.E.C&T COM. 2-1-10. NO CHANGE  
**House Status:** Introduced 2/1/2010. REF TO CONSER & ENVIRON COMM. 2-3-10  
TFDC – NO OPINION

SB :

3546 State Summary: **Animals** and **Animal Cruelty** - As introduced, makes the offense of **animal**  
HB cruelty applicable to all **animals** and requires that a person intentionally rather than knowingly  
3386 deprive an **animal** of food or water in order to commit the offense. - Amends TCA Title 39,  
Chapter 14, Part 2. (S: [Ketron](#); H: [Sontany](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO JUD COM. 2-1-10. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 2/1/2010

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB :

3676 State Summary: **Animals** and **Animal Cruelty** - As introduced, enacts "Honey's Law" to revise  
HB punishment for **animal** abuse. - Amends TCA Section 39-14-202. (S: [Burchett](#))

3760 Senate Status: introduced 1-12-10. REF TO JUD COM. 2-1-10. CHANGE

House Status: Introduced P1G 2-4-10.

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB :

3715 State Summary: **Animal Control** - As introduced, allows Davidson County as well as Shelby  
HB County and municipalities within to enact ordinance allowing for district attorney to petition  
3383 general sessions court for destruction of dangerous **dogs**. - Amends TCA Title 44, Chapter 17,  
Part 1. (S: [Haynes](#); H: [Sontany](#))

Senate Status: Introduced 1-18-10. REF TO S.S&L GOV COMM. 2-1-10. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 2/1/2010

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB :

3850 State Summary: Public Health - As introduced, increases from three days to five days, the  
HB amount of time an owner has to legally claim a **dog** or **cat** that is not wearing a **vaccination** tag  
3834 or other identification, before the **dog** or **cat** may be adopted or destroyed. - Amends TCA Title  
68. (S: [Kyle](#))

Senate Status: introduced 1-28-10. REF TO S.GW, H&HR COMM. 2-1-10. NO CHANGE

House Status: Introduced 2-1-10

TFDC – NO OPINION

## **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY**

SB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Dogs causing death or serious injury to be destroyed.**

0041 Deletes state law licensure and regulation provisions for **dog** and **cat** dealers. (Present federal

HB 0113\* law requires licensure of **animal** dealers, including persons who deal in **dogs** and other **animals**.) Authorizes circuit court judges to order any **dog** that attacks a human and causes death or serious injury to be destroyed in the county of his jurisdiction. Specifies that if owner of such **dog** does not appear before the court within five days of the order receipt and show cause why the **dog** should not be destroyed, then the order shall issue and the **dog** shall be destroyed. Authorizes Shelby County to adopt local ordinances to provide for the disposition of dangerous **dogs** or **dogs** causing death or serious injury to humans or other **animals**. (S: [Bunch](#); H: [Bell](#))  
**Amendment:** Senate Commerce amendment 1, House Agriculture amendment 1 eliminates the requirement for the department to license and regulate dog and cat dealers. Authorizes counties, municipalities, or metropolitan governments to license and regulate establishments that offer dogs, cats, and other pets for sale. Also requires any related regulation to conform to 9 CFR part 3, as amended, or its successor regulation or federal law relative to the humane care and treatment of animals.

**Senate Status:** Taken off notice in Senate Finance, Ways & Means 06/03/2009. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Withdrawn in House 01/25/2010.

TFDC – OPPOSED 10-17-09

SB 0410\* **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Obtaining medical care or treatment for animals.**  
Exempts a person from civil liability for obtaining medical care or treatment for certain **animals** under specified circumstances. (S: [Henry](#); H: [Sontany](#))

HB 0544 **Senate Status:** Referred to Senate Judiciary. 2-12-09. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Referred to House Judiciary Civil Practice Subcommittee. 2-17-09

TFDC – SUPPORTS THE CONCEPT, BUT OPPOSES AS CURRENTLY WRITTEN.  
10-17-09

SB 0435 **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Dogs causing death or serious injury to be destroyed.**  
Deletes all licensure and regulation provisions for **dog** and **cat** dealers. Authorizes circuit court judges to order any **dog** that attacks a human and causes death or serious injury to be destroyed in the county of his jurisdiction. Requires the **dog** owner to appear before the court within five days and prove that the **dog** should not be destroyed to prevent such. Authorizes Shelby County to adopt local ordinances to provide for the disposition of dangerous **dogs** or **dogs** causing death or serious injury to humans or other **animals**. (S: [Bunch](#); H: [Bell](#))

HB 0422\* **Senate Status:** Referred to Senate Commerce, Labor & Agriculture. 2-12-09

**House Status:** Withdrawn in House 01/25/2010. NO CHANGE

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB 0538 **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Selling dogs and cats at flea markets.**  
Deletes requirement for obtaining a license as a dealer from the department of agriculture for the purposes of selling **dogs** and **cats** at a flea market. (S: [Ketron](#); H: [Bass](#))

HB 0413\* **Senate Status:** Re-referred to Senate Calendar Committee 06/17/2009. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** House passed 06/03/2009.

TFDC – SUPPORTS AS AMENDED APPLYING ONLY TO ARDMORE. 10-17-09

SB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Deposits paid to agencies to ensure spaying and**  
0675 **neutering.**  
HB Requires the forfeited deposit of no less than \$25.00 for the **spaying or neutering of dogs and**  
0539\* **cats** prior to adoption to be used to conduct programs to **spay or neuter** in the community where  
the agency is located rather than for education programs in support of **spaying or neutering.**  
(S: [Woodson](#); H: [Sontany](#))

**Senate Status:** Senate passed 03/09/2009. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** REC FOR PASSAGE AND SENT TO BUDGET. 2-2-10  
TFDC – NEUTRAL BUT IN FAVOR OF USING MONEYS FOR EDUCATION AND/  
OR SPAY-NEUTER PROGRAMS RATHER THAN GOING TO A GENERAL  
FUND. 10-17-09

SB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Vacated property containing abandoned animals.**  
1481\* Requires any person or entity who discovers an abandoned **animal** on the person's or entity's  
HB real property that has been vacated due to termination of a lease or other rental agreement to  
1884 notify immediately a public or private **animal control** entity, **animal shelter** or other facility  
operated for the collection, care or euthanasia of stray, neglected or abandoned non-livestock  
**animals.** Prohibits civil or criminal liability for a person who notifies such **animal control** entity.  
Creates Class C misdemeanor punishable by fine of no more than \$50, for second offense no  
less than \$200 and for third and subsequent convictions no less than \$500. (S: [Ford O.](#); H:  
[Turner L.](#))

**Senate Status:** Referred to Senate Judiciary. 2-18-09. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Referred to House Judiciary Civil Practice Subcommittee. 3-25-09  
TFDC – SUPPORTS. 10-17-09

SB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Providing care for non-livestock animals.**  
2796\* Provides immunity from civil liability for any person who in good faith provides medical care or  
HB treatment for a non-livestock **animal** that is abandoned or injured and such medical care results  
3749 in injury or harm to such **animal.** Establishes that this provision does not apply to a person who  
fails to take reasonable steps to locate the owner of such **animal** prior to providing medical care.  
(S: [Henry](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1-27-10. Referred to Senate Judiciary. 1-27-10. CHANGE

House Status: Introduced P1C 2-4-10.

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Food and shelter for livestock defined.**  
3180 Defines food and **shelter** for both livestock and non-livestock **animals** concerning **animal**  
HB offenses. (S: [Crowe](#); H: [Ford D.](#))

3315\* **Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO JUD COMM. 2-1-10. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 2/1/2010

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Insurance for owning dangerous, vicious, and wild animals.**  
3239  
HB Requires every owner of a dangerous, vicious, or wild **animal** to have a policy of insurance for at  
2497\* least \$15,000 issued by an authorized insurer. Requires that an owner have up to 60 days to  
comply with this legislation if such owner reasonably knows the **animal** is dangerous. (S: [Tate](#);  
H: [Hardaway](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO JUD COM. 2-1-10. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 1/12/2010

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Requires owners to restrain or confine dogs.**  
3240 Enacts the Destiny Knox Act. Requires an owner, keeper, or harbinger of a **dog** to restrain the  
HB **dog** at all times on a leash or similar device when the **dog** is in such person's immediate  
2819\* **control**. Specifies the dollar amount for each fine with regards to violation of this legislation. (S:  
[Tate](#); H: [Hardaway](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO JUD COM. 2-1-10. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 1/25/2010

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Inspection of livestock by county agricultural agents.**  
3264 State Summary: **Animals** and **Animal** Cruelty - As introduced, requires inspection by county  
HB agricultural extension agent of livestock **animal** that has been allegedly abused to be preceded  
3343\* by similar inspection by qualified representative of law enforcement agency investigating such  
allegation. - Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 43. (S: [Norris](#); H: [Bone](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO S.C.L&A COM. 2-1-10. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 2/1/2010

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Holding period before destroying abandoned animal.**  
3367 State Summary: **Animals** and **Animal** Cruelty - As introduced, changes the required holding  
HB period by a **humane** society before destroying an abandoned **animal** from 72 hours to 120  
3379\* hours. - Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 2. (S: [Marrero](#); H: [Sontany](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO JUD COM. 2-1-10. CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 2/1/2010. Ref to Jud Comm. 2-3-10

TFDC – NO OPINION. This may be a mover.

SB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Destruction of dangerous dogs.**  
3383 State Summary: **Animals** and **Animal** Cruelty - As introduced, authorizes any county or  
HB municipality, instead of just specified ones, to petition the general sessions court for the  
3384\* destruction of dangerous **dogs** instead of the district attorney general petitioning the circuit court  
of the county where the offense occurred for destruction of the **dog**. - Amends TCA Title 44,  
Chapter 17 and Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2. (S: [Marrero](#); H: [Sontany](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO JUD COM. 2-1-10. No CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 2/1/2010

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Violation of animal custody restrictions.**

3540\* State Summary: **Animals** and **Animal Cruelty** - As introduced, creates a Class A misdemeanor  
HB offense for a person who was previously convicted of **animal** cruelty if such person subsequently  
3913 violates an **animal** custody restriction imposed by the sentencing court. - Amends TCA Section  
39-14-202. (S: [Ketron](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO JUD COM. 2-1-10. CHANGE

House Status: Introduced P1C 2-8-10.

TFDC – NO OPINION

HB **ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY: Landlords to notify animal shelter about abandoned**  
1885\* **animals.**

Requires landlords and mortgage holders to notify **animal control** entity or **animal shelter** if  
property vacated due to termination of lease or foreclosure contains abandoned **animals**. (H:  
[Turner L.](#))

**House Status:** Referred to House Judiciary Civil Practice Subcommittee. 3-11-09. NO  
CHANGE

TFDC – SUPPORTS. 10-17-09

## CRIMINAL LAW

SB **CRIMINAL LAW: Animal Abuser Registration, Tracking and Verification Act.**

0182\* Creates the Tennessee **Animal** Abuser Registry and requires the clerk of court where the  
HB conviction for the **animal** abuse offense occurs to forward to the TBI a copy of the judgment  
0385 document of the conviction. Obligates the TBI to maintain the registry, which must consist of the  
person's name, date of birth, residential address, all **animal** abuse offense convictions,  
conviction dates, county and state of convictions, person's photograph and other such identifying  
information that the TBI deems necessary, but not including the person's social security number.  
Requires an abuser who is subject to registration to pay a fee of \$50.00. Requires TBI to remove  
from the registry the name and other identifying information for any person who has not been  
convicted of an **animal** abuse offense for a period of 10 years from the person's most recent  
conviction. Creates a Class E felony punishable by fine for abusers who knowingly falsify  
information supplied to the TBI, fail to timely disclose required information to the TBI and fail to  
pay any applicable fees, if financially able. (S: [Jackson](#); H: [Sontany](#))

**Senate Status:** Referred to Senate Judiciary. 2-11-09. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Referred to House Judiciary Criminal Practice Subcommittee. 2-17-09

TFDC – OPPOSES. 10-17-09

SB **CRIMINAL LAW: Animal cruelty prosecutions.**

0391\* Provides that in **animal** cruelty prosecutions, if the defendant does not post court-ordered  
HB security to pay for expense of caring for the **animal** within 72 hours, the defendant forfeits all  
0626 ownership interest in the **animal**. Establishes provisions governing situations where person from  
whom **animal** was seized is indigent. (S: [Black](#); H: [Maggart](#))

**Amendment:** House Judiciary amendment 1 clarifies that the 72 hour time period means three  
full business days. House Judiciary amendment 2 clarifies the agencies included as certified  
animal control agencies rather than the narrow list currently in the bill.

**Senate Status:** Taken off notice in Senate Judiciary 04/29/2009. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Held on House clerk's desk. 4-16-09

TFDC – OPPOSES. 10-17-09

SB **CRIMINAL LAW: Penalty for spectators at animal fights.**

0537\* Creates a Class A misdemeanor for spectator where preparations are being made for an  
HB exhibition for the fighting, baiting or injuring of any **animal**, with the intent to be present at the  
0627 exhibition, fighting, baiting or injuring. (S: [Ketron](#); H: [Maggart](#))

**Senate Status:** Senate passed 04/23/2009. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Caption bill held on House clerk's desk. 2-12-09

TFDC – CONCERNS DISCUSSED REGARDING POTENTIAL FOR THIS BILL TO  
BECOME MORE INCLUSIVE, INCLUDING CURRENTLY LEGAL AND  
SANCTIONED DOG SPORTS. OPPOSE UNLESS THE BILL IS CLARIFIED TO  
ADDRESS ILLEGAL DOG FIGHTING AND COCK FIGHTING ONLY. 10-17-09

SB **CRIMINAL LAW: Felons convicted of violent crimes cannot have vicious dogs.**

0555 Prohibits a person who has been convicted of a felony involving the use or attempted use of  
HB force, violence or a deadly weapon from knowingly possessing a vicious **dog**. (S: [Norris](#); H:  
0238\* [DeBerry J.](#))

**Amendment:** House Judiciary committee amendment 1 adds a definition for vicious dog and  
also requires that the dog owner have the dog spayed or neutered within a specific time.

**Senate Status:** Referred to Senate Judiciary. 2-12-09. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Held on House clerk's desk. 6-1-09

TFDC – OPPOSES. 10-17-09. NOTE ASPCA WANTS THIS PASSED.

SB **CRIMINAL LAW: Increases penalty for cockfighting.**

0879\* Creates a Class E felony for anyone who owns, possesses, or trains an **animal** for the purposes  
HB of fighting, baiting or injuring another **animal** for amusement, sport or gain. (S: [Ketron](#); H:  
1123 [Maggart](#))

**Senate Status:** Referred to Senate Judiciary. 2-18-09 NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Referred to House Judiciary Criminal Practice Subcommittee. 2-18-09

TFDC – STRONGLY OPPOSES. 10-17-09

SB **CRIMINAL LAW: Selling live animals on public streets and parks.**

1322\* Creates Class B misdemeanor offense of selling live **animals**, including birds and reptiles, on

HB 1433 public streets and in parks. Also creates Class B misdemeanor offense for a business to offer live **animal** as prize or for promotional purposes. Places safeguards on sale of **animals** at flea markets. (S: [Berke](#); H: [Sontany](#))

**Senate Status:** Taken off notice in Senate Commerce, Labor & Agriculture 04/21/2009.

**House Status:** Referred to House Judiciary Criminal Practice Subcommittee. 3-11-09. NO CHANGE

TFDC – OPPOSES. 10-17-09

SB **CRIMINAL LAW: Offenses against animals used in official duties.**

2529 Increases criminal penalties for harming or interfering with **animals** used during official duties.

HB 2505\* Requires defendant to be liable for the **animal's** value if the **animal** is unable to perform its duties. Justifies killing of another person's **animal** if the person reasonably believed that the **animal** was creating an imminent danger of death or serious bodily injury to another person or to the person's own **animal**, unless the person is trespassing or escaping from criminal conduct and has killed an **animal** used in official duties. Creates a Class B Misdemeanor for violations of this legislation. (S: [Harper](#); H: [Moore](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1-27-10. REF TO JUD COM. 1-27-10. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 1/25/2010

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB **CRIMINAL LAW: Misdemeanor for felon to own or keep dangerous animal.**

3238 Prohibits convicted felons, probationers, and parolees from owning, harboring, keeping, residing

HB 2498\* with, or being in the company of dangerous, vicious, or wild **animals**, unless preapproved or preauthorized by a court or the board of probation or parole to own or keep such **animal**. Creates a Class A misdemeanor for violation of this legislation. (S: [Tate](#); H: [Hardaway](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO JUD COM. 2-1-10 NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 1/12/2010

TFDC – NO OPINION

SB **CRIMINAL LAW: Convicted felons, probationers, and parolees: restrictions.**

3244 Establishes that convicted felons, probationers, and parolees who own, keep, share a residence

HB 2773\* with, or are found being in the company of dangerous or wild **animals** have committed a Class A misdemeanor, unless the person has a reasonable excuse. (S: [Tate](#); H: [Hardaway](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO JUD COM. 2-1-10. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 1/25/2010

TFDCV – NO OPINION

## ENVIRONMENT & NATURE

SB **ENVIRONMENT & NATURE: Hunting or taking of animals by use of bait.**

1648 Clarifies that hunting or taking **animals** by use of bait shall not be prohibited unless the bait is

HB visible at the time and location of such hunt or taking. (S: [Gresham](#); H: [Hensley](#))

0725\*

**Senate Status:** Taken off notice in Senate Environment, Conservation & Tourism 04/21/2009.  
**House Status:** ON House Wildlife Subcommittee calendar 2-3-10. CHANGE  
TFDC – NO OPINION

## GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION

SB     **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - board of veterinary medical examiners.**  
2454\*   Sunsets the board of veterinary medical examiners on June 30, 2013. (S: [Watson B.](#); H: [Lynn](#))  
HB  
2608    **Senate Status:** Placed on Cal Senate Government Operations. 2-3-10. CHANGE  
          **House Status:** Referred to House Government Operations. 1-25-10  
          TFDC – NO OPINION

## JUDICIARY

SB     **JUDICIARY: Guidelines for service dogs in courtrooms.**  
3775    Requires the security committee in each county to publish and post a policy for permitting  
HB     service **dogs** into the courtrooms of that county. (S: [Bunch](#); H: [Watson E.](#))  
3054\*   **Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO JUD COM. 2-1-10. CHANGE  
          **House Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. Ref to Jud s/c 2-8-10  
          TFC – NO OPINION

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SB     **LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Restaurants to allow patron companion dogs in outdoor areas.**  
0604\*   Authorizes a municipality with a population of at least 100,000 to adopt an ordinance to allow the  
HB     presence of companion **dogs** in outdoor areas of restaurants where food is served. (S: [Burchett](#);  
1602    H: [Brooks, Harry](#))  
          **Senate Status:** Referred to Senate State & Local Government. 2-12-09. NO CHANGE  
          **House Status:** Referred to House Public Health and Family Assistance Subcommittee. 3-3-09  
          TFDC – NEUTRAL 10-17-09

SB     **LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Regulation of animals within Hamilton County.**  
2051    Permits Hamilton County, by the adoption of a resolution by a 2/3 vote of its legislative body, to  
HB     regulate, tax, license or suppress the keeping or going at large of **animals** within the  
1881\*   municipality, impound them, and in default of redemption, sell or kill them. Clarifies that the  
          exercise of such powers is limited to unincorporated areas of the county. (S: [Watson B.](#); H:  
          [McCormick](#))  
          **Senate Status:** Referred to Senate State & Local Government. 4-22-09. NO CHANGE  
          **House Status:** Referred to House Local Government Subcommittee. 3-4-09.  
          TFDC – NEUTRAL 10-17-09

## PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE

SB **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Tennessee Pet Groomers Act.**

1549\* Enacts the "Tennessee **Pet Groomers Act**" and creates a board of **pet** groomers. Establishes  
HB procedure for making member appointments to the board. Establishes criteria and fees for  
1731 licensure as a **pet** groomer and licensure to operate a grooming school. (S: [Burchett](#); H:  
[Sontany](#))

**Senate Status:** Referred to Senate Government Operations. 2-18-09. NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Referred to House Commerce. House Government Operations will review if  
recommended. 3-25-09

TFDC – STRONGLY OPPOSED. 10-17-09

SB **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Exemption from veterinarian licensure requirement.**

3060\* Allows licensed out-of-state **veterinarians** without a physical Tennessee business address, any  
HB resident that removes an embryo from that resident's own food **animal**, unlicensed personnel  
3491 from the U.S. department of agriculture, and extension personnel or vocational agriculture  
teachers doing educational work to complete such tasks without a **veterinarian** license. (S:  
[Woodson](#); H: [McDaniel](#))

**Senate Status:** Introduced 1/28/2010. REF TO S, GW, H &HR COM. 1-28-10 NO CHANGE

**House Status:** Introduced 2/1/2010. REF TO AG COMM. 2-3-10

TFDC – NO OPINION