



Legislation Text

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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring that certain injured animals receive timely veterinary care

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 8 of title 17 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 17-820 to read as follows:

§ 17-820 Care required for injured animals. a. Definitions. As used in this section, the term “animal welfare provider” means a person who provides care to animals pursuant to a contract with the city.

b. Veterinary care required. If an animal welfare provider is called to the field to attend to an animal that may have been injured and determines that such animal requires veterinary care, the owner of such animal shall, within seven days of the date of the determination by such animal welfare provider:

1. Pay the reasonable costs of veterinary care administered by such animal welfare provider; or
2. Provide evidence to the department, or other applicable agency, that veterinary care was administered to such animal within 12 hours of the determination by such animal welfare provider that such animal required care. Such evidence shall include a notarized signed statement by the owner that such care was provided within 12 hours of such determination, and that supporting documentation provided to the department or agency regarding such care is correct.

c. Penalty. Upon a finding by the department, or other applicable agency, that a person has failed to comply with the requirements in subsection b, such person shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than \$5,000.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 60 days after it becomes law.

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