THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY STEPHENS, CALTAGIRONE, TOBASH, SCHLOSSBERG, ROZZI, O'BRIEN, V. BROWN, COHEN, D. COSTA, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, QUINN AND SIMMONS, APRIL 15, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, APRIL 15, 2013

AN ACT

Amending the act of December 15, 1986 (P.L.1610, No.181), entitled "An act providing for the establishment and operation of a Statewide system for the prevention and control of rabies; imposing additional powers and duties on the Departments of Agriculture and Health; providing for 5 emergency declarations; fixing penalties for violations; and 6 making an appropriation," further providing for vaccination 7 certification. 9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 10 hereby enacts as follows: 11 Section 1. Section 8 of the act of December 15, 1986 12 (P.L.1610, No.181), known as the Rabies Prevention and Control 13 in Domestic Animals and Wildlife Act, is amended by adding a subsection to read: 14 15 Section 8. Vaccination required; certificate and tag. 16 17 (f) The owner or operator of a boarding kennel, as defined 18 in section 102 of the act of December 7, 1982 (P.L.784, No.225), 19 known as the Dog Law, shall require the owner of each dog for

which the boarding kennel is taking control to provide proof of

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- 1 <u>an up-to-date rabies vaccination at the time the dog enters the</u>
- 2 boarding kennel. The proof of vaccination shall be kept on file
- 3 at the boarding kennel for seven days following the dog's
- 4 <u>departure from the boarding kennel. All rabies vaccination</u>
- 5 records and owner contact information for dogs involved in a dog
- 6 attack at a boarding kennel shall be made available to the
- 7 owners of all dogs that are injured in the dog attack.
- 8 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.