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Education Law

TITLE....Relates to information to be provided by a veterinarian initially prescribing or dispensing a drug to a dog, cat, or rabbit

This bill is not active in the current session.

05/10/23 referred to higher education

05/16/23 reported referred to rules

06/01/23 reported

06/01/23 rules report cal.467

06/01/23 ordered to third reading rules cal.467

06/01/23 passed assembly

06/01/23 delivered to senate

06/01/23 REFERRED TO HIGHER EDUCATION

06/07/23 SUBSTITUTED FOR S7459

06/07/23 3RD READING CAL.1722

06/07/23 PASSED SENATE

06/07/23 RETURNED TO ASSEMBLY

06/29/23 delivered to governor

06/30/23 signed chap.153

WALLACE

Amd §6715, Ed L; amd §3, Chap 678 of 2022

Relates to information to be provided by a veterinarian initially prescribing or dispensing a drug to a dog, cat, or rabbit; extends the effective date of such provisions.

EFF. DATE 06/30/2023 (SEE TABLE)

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

May 10, 2023

Introduced by M. of A. WALLACE -- read once and referred to the Commit-

tee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to information to be provided by a veterinarian initially prescribing or dispensing a drug to a dog, cat, or rabbit; and to amend Buoy's law, in relation to the effectiveness thereof

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 6715 of the education law, as added by chapter 678
2 of the laws of 2022, is amended to read as follows:
3 § 6715. Dispensing information to be provided by veterinarians. 1.
4 Each time a veterinarian **initially** prescribes[, **or** dispenses[, **or**
5 **provides**] a drug to [**an animal**]**a dog, cat, or rabbit for use outside the**
6 **office**, the veterinarian shall provide to the owner of such animal, or
7 his or her agent, the following information:
8 (a) the name and description of the drug;
9 (b) directions for use, including, if applicable, any actions to be
10 taken in the event of a missed dose;
11 (c) if available, manufacturer instructions for proper storage;
12 (d) any common reasonably anticipated adverse effects associated with
13 the use of such drug; and
14 (e) if available, manufacturer precautions and relevant warnings.
15 2. The provisions of paragraphs (d) and (e) of subdivision one of this
16 section shall only apply when the manufacturer has made available infor-
17 mation for the specific animal species to which such drug is
18 prescribed[, **or** dispensed [**or provided**] **pursuant to subdivision one of**
19 **this section**.
20 **3. The information to be provided pursuant to subdivision one of this**
21 **section shall be provided in writing or orally and the method of disclo-**
22 **sure shall be noted in the patient medical record.**

EXPLANATION--Matter in **italics** (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 § 2. Section 3 of chapter 678 of the laws of 2022, constituting Buoy's
2 law, is amended to read as follows:
3 § 3. This act shall take effect [**on the one hundred eightieth day**]
4 **eighteen months** after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately,
5 the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation neces-
6 sary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are
7 authorized to be made and completed on or before such date.
8 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that

9 section one of this act shall take effect on the same date and in the
10 same manner as section 2 of chapter 678 of the laws of 2022, takes
11 effect.

**NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY
MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION
submitted in accordance with Assembly Rule III, Sec 1(f)**

BILL NUMBER: A6996

SPONSOR: Wallace

TITLE OF BILL:

An act to amend the education law, in relation to information to be provided by a veterinarian initially prescribing or dispensing a drug to a dog, cat, or rabbit; and to amend Buoy's law, in relation to the effectiveness thereof

PURPOSE OR GENERAL IDEA OF BILL:.

To provide technical amendments to Chapter 678 of the Laws of 2022:

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS:

Section 1 amends section 6715 of education law.

Section 2 amends section 3 of chapter 678 of the laws of 2022, constituting Buoy's Law.

Section 3 extends the effective date.

JUSTIFICATION:

Chapter 678 of the Laws of 2022, (known as Buoy's Law) requires disclosures to be made to pet owners upon prescription, dispensing, or provision of drugs by a veterinarian and becomes effective on June 13, 2023. As written, disclosures are required to be made to pet owners for all animals. This legislation limits the scope to cats, dogs, and

rabbits and changes the disclosure requirements to the initial provision of medication. These changes are necessary to ensure veterinarians can continue to service our pets without sacrificing patient care. Additionally, this amendment extends the effective date to allow proper time for the State Education Department to promulgate regulations.

PRIOR LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

This is new legislation.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS FOR STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

None.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that section one of this act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as section 2 of chapter 678 of the laws of 2022, takes effect.