

HOUSE BILL No. 1389

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 22-11-22.

Synopsis: Animal fire safety. Requires new construction at an animal facility to have a fire alarm system or staff on duty any time a dog or cat is present on the premises. Authorizes periodic local or state fire inspections to determine compliance.

Effective: July 1, 2023.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 22-11-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2023]:
4 **Chapter 22. Pet Fire Safety**
5 **Sec. 1. This chapter applies to new construction of an animal**
6 **facility that begins after June 30, 2023.**
7 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "animal facility" means any of**
8 **the following:**
9 (1) **An overnight animal boarding facility.**
10 (2) **A pet store.**
11 (3) **An animal care facility (as defined in IC 6-9-39-1).**
12 (4) **A veterinary hospital.**
13 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "fire alarm system" means a**
14 **system that automatically sends notice of an alarm to a local fire or**
15 **police department when the alarm is activated.**
16 **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "overnight animal boarding**
17 **facility" means a business that houses dogs or cats overnight for a**



1 fee.
2 Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "pet store" means a retailer that
3 sells dogs or cats.
4 Sec. 6. New construction at an animal facility must have at least
5 one (1) of the following:
6 (1) A fire alarm system that is:
7 (A) designed by a fire alarm technician; and
8 (B) in operating condition.
9 (2) Staff on duty at the animal facility any time a dog or cat is
10 present on the premises.
11 Sec. 7. A fire department that has jurisdiction over the animal
12 facility or the department of homeland security may periodically
13 inspect an animal facility to determine compliance with this
14 chapter.

