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Regular Session, 2010

SENATE BILL NO. 368

BY SENATOR SHAW

COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS. Requires retailers to provide certain information to a consumer who purchases an iguana. (8/15/10)

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 56:637(A)(3), relative to exotic animals; to require retailers to disclose in
3	writing, certain information to a consumer who purchases an iguana; to provide for
4	the keeping of such animals; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 56:637(A)(3) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
7	§637. Records
8	A. Wholesale/retail dealers shall keep in the English language records of:
9	* * *
10	(3) A written acknowledgment by each consumer who purchases an
11	iguana that, prior to the sale of the iguana to the consumer, the retailer advised
12	the consumer, in writing, of all of the following:
13	(i) The primary care needed for the iguana including food and
14	appropriate habitat.
15	(ii) A warning that the iguana can carry salmonella.
16	(iii) That the iguana will grow substantially in size and will be more
17	difficult to care for properly.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Carla S. Roberts.

## **DIGEST**

<u>Present law</u> provides that certain records are to be kept by wholesale and retail dealers who sell reptiles and amphibians.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires a written acknowledgment by each consumer who purchases an iguana that, prior to the sale of the iguana to a consumer, the retailer advised the consumer, in writing, all of the following:

- A. The primary care needed for the iguana, including food and appropriate habitat.
- B. A warning that the iguana can carry salmonella.
- C. That the iguana will grow substantially in size and will be more difficult to care for properly.

Effective August 15, 2010.

(Adds R.S. 56:637(A)(3))