HOUSE BILL 722

By Dean

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-8-103, relative to rabies.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-8-103(c), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and by adding the following language as a new subdivision (2):

(2) If a licensed veterinarian determines in writing that a rabies vaccination would compromise an animal's health, then the animal shall be exempt from the rabies shot requirement, but the owner must still be responsible for the applicable fees.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it.