## **SENATE BILL 538**

## By Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 44, Chapter 17, Part 1, relative to dogs and cats.

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

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 44-17-102, is amended by deleting subdivision (4) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:
  - (4) "Dealer" means any person who, for compensation or profit, buys, sells, transports (except as a common carrier), delivers for transportation, or boards dogs or cats for research purposes, or any person who buys or sells twenty-five (25) or more dogs or cats in any one (1) calendar year for resale within the state or for transportation out of the state;
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 44-17-102, is further amended by deleting subdivision (6) in its entirety.
- SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 44-17-104(b)(3), is amended by deleting subdivision (A) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:
  - (A) Transactions of twenty-five (25) to fifty (50) animals per year one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150);
- SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 44-17-106(3), is amended by deleting subdivision (A) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:
  - (A) Transactions of twenty-five (25) to fifty (50) animals per year one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150);
  - SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.