HOUSE BILL 781

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AN ACT concerning

Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2017

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

2	Retail Pet Stores - Animal Seller, Dog Cage Signs, and Records - Requirement

3 Revisions

- FOR the purpose of requiring a retail pet store to ensure that a certain person from whom the retail pet store obtains a cat or dog has not received a certain citation on a certain report for a critical violation within a certain period of time; requiring certain information to be posted on each dog's cage in a retail pet store; requiring a certain written record about each dog in the possession of a retail pet store to include certain information; and generally relating to requirements for retail pet stores.
- 10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 11 Article Business Regulation
- 12 Section 19–702.1(b) and 19–703
- 13 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 14 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)
- 15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 16 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 Article – Business Regulation

18 19–702.1.

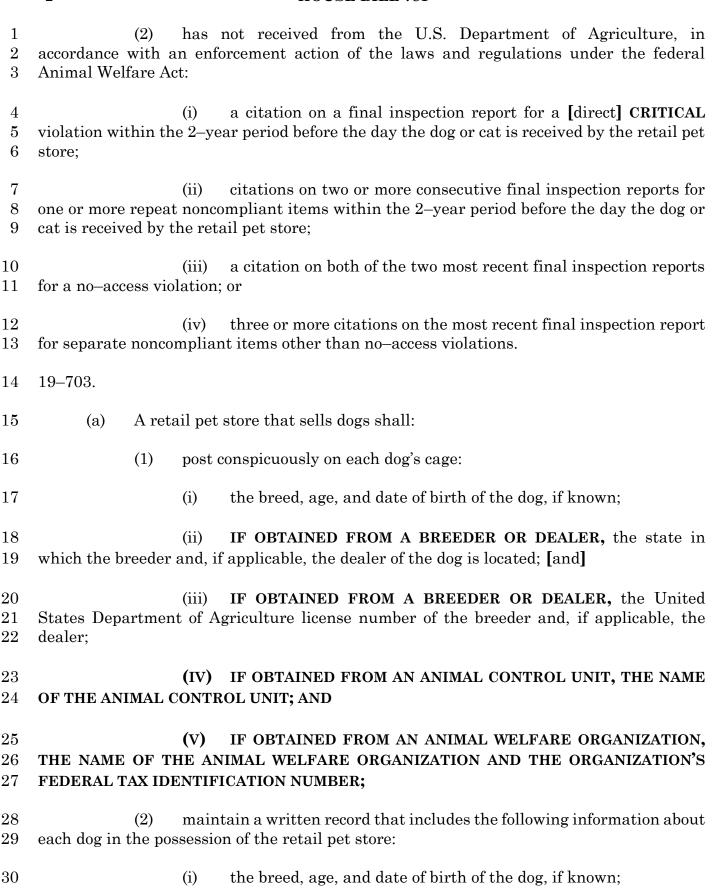
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- 19 (b) A retail pet store shall ensure that a person under subsection (a)(3) or (4) of 20 this section from which the retail pet store obtains a dog or cat, as of the day the retail pet 21 store receives the dog or cat:
- 22 (1) holds a current license under the Animal Welfare Act from the U.S.
- 23 Department of Agriculture; and



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(ii)



the sex, color, and any identifying markings of the dog;

1 2 3	(iii) documentation of all inoculations, worming treatments, and other medical treatments, if known, including the date of the medical treatment, the diagnoses, and the name and title of the treatment provider;				
4 5	address of:	(iv)	IF OI	STAINED FROM A BREEDER OR DEALER, the name and	
6 7	dog;		1.	the breeder and, if applicable, the dealer who supplied the	
8			2.	the facility where the dog was born; and	
9			3.	the transporter or carrier of the dog, if any;	
10 11 12	(v) IF OBTAINED FROM A BREEDER OR DEALER, the United States Department of Agriculture license number of the breeder and, if applicable, the dealer;				
13 14	(VI) IF OBTAINED FROM AN ANIMAL CONTROL UNIT, THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL UNIT;				
15 16	(VII) IF OBTAINED FROM AN ANIMAL WELFARE ORGANIZATION, THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE ANIMAL WELFARE ORGANIZATION;				
17 18	number, or microc			any identifier information, including a tag, tattoo, collar	
19		[(vii)]	(IX)	if the dog is being sold as registered or registrable:	
20 21	and		1.	the names and registration numbers of the sire and dam;	
22			2.	the litter number; and	
23 24 25	(3) for each dog acquired by the retail pet store, maintain a written record of the health, status, and disposition of the dog, including any documents that are required at the time of sale.				
26 27	` '	_		e shall maintain a copy of the records required under for at least 2 years after the date of sale of the dog.	
28 29	(c) A ret	_	store	shall make the records required under subsection (a)(2) of	

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1 (1) the Division of Consumer Protection of the Office of the Attorney 2 General on reasonable notice; any bona fide prospective purchaser on request; 3 **(2)** (3) the purchaser at the time of a sale; and 4 an animal control unit. 5 (4) 6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect