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FISCAL NOTE

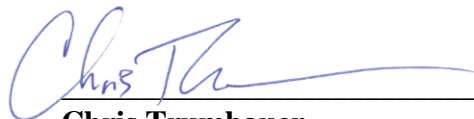
BILL: AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING: PUBLIC SAFETY – ANIMAL CONTROL AND ANIMAL CONTROL COMMISSION – RENAMING AND REPURPOSING

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

The purpose of this legislation is to modify the name and certain purposes and procedures of the Animal Control Agency (to be renamed the Animal Care and Control Agency) and the Animal Control Commission (to be renamed the Animal Matters Commission). In particular, among other changes related to animal care and control, this legislation increases certain impoundment fees, codifies a licensure category for potentially dangerous animals, and establishes requirements for redemption of animals under certain circumstances.

FISCAL IMPACT

The impoundment fee schedule and other provisions of this legislation are intended to curb irresponsible animal care behavior. The agency estimates that fewer than 50 animals are currently impounded two or more times in a 12-month period, and just over 160 animals are currently licensed as potentially dangerous. This legislation may result in a minimal increase in fee revenue and provide some operational efficiencies for the agency; however, the overall fiscal impact is estimated to be negligible.



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