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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 4:19-15.3c (Dog registration tag fees - adds \$.20)

LAW S OF: 1983 CHAPTER: 181

Bill No: A1472

Sponsor(s): Bennett and others

Date Introduced: May 20, 1982

Committee: Assembly: Agriculture and Environment

Senate: Natural Resources and Agriculture

Amended during passage: Yes // Amendments during passage denoted by asterisks

Date of Passage: Assembly: Dec. 6, 1982

Senate: March 30, 1983

Date of Approval: May 10, 1983

Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement: Yes // (Below)

Committee statement: Assembly Yes //
Senate /// No

Fiscal Note: Yes //

Veto Message: /// No

Message on Signing: *Yes* /// ~~No~~

Following were printed:

Reports: /// No

Hearings: /// No

Sponsor's statement:

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Law, mentioned in sponsor's statement: L.1983, c.180

For news clippings see: Legislative history of L.1983, c.172.

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ASSEMBLY, No. 1472

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 20, 1982

By Assemblymen BENNETT, DOYLE, JACKMAN and WEIDEL

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and amending P. L. 1941, c. 151.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. In addition to the fee charged pursuant to section 3 of P. L.
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3 Health pursuant to section 11 of P. L. 1941, c. 151 (C. 4:19-15.11),
4 any person applying for the license and registration tag pursuant
5 to section 2 of P. L. 1941, c. 151 (C. 4:19-15.2) shall pay ***[a]*** *an*
6 *additional** fee of ***[\$3.00]*** *\$0.20* for any dog ***[which has not**
7 **had its reproductive capacity altered through sterilization]***.

8 All fees collected pursuant to the provisions of this section shall
9 be forwarded to the State Treasurer to be placed in the "Pilot
10 Clinic Fund" created pursuant to P. L. 198 , c. (C.),
11 (now pending before the Legislature as Assembly Bill No. *1471*)
12 to be used by the Commissioner of Health for the operation of the
13 animal sterilization pilot clinic established pursuant to that act.

1 ***[2.** Section 12 of P. L. 1941, c. 151 (C. 4:19-15.12) is amended
2 to read as follows:

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5 thereof, as required by section 3 of this act, which sum shall be
6 not less than \$1.50 nor more than \$7.00**;** provided however, that
7 the governing body may by ordinance, provide for a reduction
8 or waiver of the sum to be paid by an owner who presents a
9 certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian stating that the dog

**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill
is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

Matter printed in italics thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in asterisks or stars has been adopted as follows:

***—Assembly committee amendments adopted November 29, 1982.**

10 has been spayed or neutered. In the absence of any local ordinance,
11 the fee for all dog licenses shall be \$1.50.

12 b. The governing body of each municipality, may, by ordinance,
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14 thereof, which sum shall be not more than 3 times the sum charged
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17 license shall be \$4.50. The Department of Health shall promulgate
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STATEMENT

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ASSEMBLY AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1472

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 29, 1982

As amended this bill would provide for an additional 20¢ dog registration tag fee for any dog. The fees collected would be deposited in a special fund to be used for the operation of a pilot spay-neuter clinic that would be established pursuant to Assembly Bill No. 1471 if enacted.

The committee further amended the bill to delete the prohibition against municipalities from conducting their own sterilization programs and reducing registration tag fees therefor.

FISCAL NOTE TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 1472

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: AUGUST 24, 1982

Assembly Bill No. 1472, of 1982, would provide for an additional \$3.00 dog registration tag fee for any animal that has not been spayed or neutered. The fee collected would be deposited in a special fund to be used for the operation of a pilot spay-neuter clinic (to be established).

The Department of Health indicates the following net effect:

	FY 1983	FY 1984	FY 1985
Revenues	\$1,170,000	\$1,050,000	\$930,000
less expenditures . . .	16,978	17,073	18,511
Net	<u>\$1,153,022</u>	<u>\$1,032,927</u>	<u>\$911,489</u>

The above figures only include estimated revenue and collection costs and does not address the cost incurred in distributing funds for the spayed-neutered program either by direct reimbursement to veterinarians or through health service contracts.

The Office of Legislative Services concurs.

In compliance with written request received, there is hereby submitted a fiscal estimate for the above bill, pursuant to P. L. 1980, c. 67.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

RELEASE: IMMEDIATE

CONTACT: PAUL WOLCOTT

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 1983

Governor Thomas H. Kean has signed the following bills:

S-3215, sponsored by State Senator John H. Dorsey, R-Morris, which amends the Casino Conflicts of Interest Law to permit certain spouses of State employees who have no casino responsibilities to represent casinos if they were married during the course of State employment.

S-1101, sponsored by State Senator S. Thomas Gagliano, R-Monmouth, which establishes a State pilot clinic for the spaying and neutering of dogs and cats at a low cost.

A-1472, sponsored by Assemblyman John O. Bennett, R-Monmouth, which provides for an additional 20-cent dog registration tag fee to fund the pilot clinic.

Under the Senate bill the Department of Health is directed to establish the pilot clinic, at which the public may have their cat or dog neutered for a fee ranging from \$15 to \$35, depending on the size and sex of the animal.

The Assembly bill would raise an estimated \$116,000 to finance the cost of the clinic.

S-1441, sponsored by State Senator Carmen A. Orechio, D-Essex, which provides that commissioners elected under the commission form of government under the Walsh Act, begin their terms one week after their election. Under the previous law commissioners assumed their office July 1.

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