Florida Senate - 2003

By the Committee on Agriculture

303-133-03 1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to public records; reviving, 3 reenacting, and amending s. 828.30(5), F.S.; 4 reenacting the exemption from public-records 5 requirements which pertains to certain confidential information contained in a rabies 6 7 vaccination certificate provided to the animal 8 control authority; providing an effective date. 9 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 11 12 Section 1. Notwithstanding the repeal of subsection (5) of section 828.30, Florida Statutes, which is scheduled to 13 occur October 2, 2003, that subsection is revived, reenacted, 14 and amended to read: 15 828.30 Rabies vaccination of dogs, cats, and 16 17 ferrets.--(5) Any information contained in the rabies 18 19 vaccination certificate provided to the animal control 20 authority which identifies the owner of the animal vaccinated is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), 21 22 Art. I of the State Constitution. However, the physician of, or, any person who has been bitten, scratched, or otherwise 23 exposed to a zoonotic disease and a veterinarian who is 24 25 treating an animal that has been bitten, scratched, or otherwise exposed to a zoonotic disease or the owner of an 26 animal that has been bitten, scratched, or otherwise exposed 27 28 to a zoonotic disease, shall be provided with any information 29 contained in a rabies vaccination certificate but only with 30 respect to the particular animal biting, scratching, or 31 otherwise causing exposure. Any person with an animal tag 1

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1	number may receive vaccination certificate information with
2	regard to that animal. Federal, state, and local law
3	enforcement and prosecutorial agencies; other animal control
4	authorities; and emergency and medical response, disease
5	control, or other governmental health agencies shall be
6	provided information contained in the rabies vaccination
7	certificate for the purpose of controlling the transmission of
8	rabies; however, they must not release such information to the
9	public. Any person, pursuant to a written request, may view
10	or copy any individual rabies vaccination certificate, one
11	record at a time. A copy of any existing database may be
12	obtained provided that the owner's name, street address, and
13	phone number, and the animal tag number, are not made
14	available.
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16	This exemption is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review
17	Act of 1995 in accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand
18	repealed on October 2, 2003, unless reviewed and saved from
19	repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.
20	Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2003.
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23	SENATE SUMMARY
24	Revives and reenacts the exemption from public-records requirements which pertains to certain confidential
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