

By the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity;
and Agriculture

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to public records; narrowing,
3 reenacting, and amending s. 828.30(5), F.S.;
4 reenacting the exemption from public-records
5 requirements which pertains to certain exempt
6 information contained in a rabies vaccination
7 certificate provided to the animal control
8 authority; providing an effective date.

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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12 Section 1. Notwithstanding the repeal of subsection
13 (5) of section 828.30, Florida Statutes, which is scheduled to
14 occur October 2, 2003, that subsection is revived, reenacted,
15 and amended to read:

16 828.30 Rabies vaccination of dogs, cats, and
17 ferrets.--

18 (5) An animal owner's name, street address, phone
19 number, and animal tag number ~~Any information~~ contained in a
20 the rabies vaccination certificate provided to the animal
21 control authority ~~which identifies the owner of the animal~~
22 vaccinated is ~~confidential and~~ exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s.
23 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. However, ~~the~~
24 ~~physician of, or, any person who has been bitten, scratched,~~
25 or otherwise exposed to a zoonotic disease or the physician of
26 such person; ~~and~~ a veterinarian who is treating an animal that
27 has been bitten, scratched, or otherwise exposed to a zoonotic
28 disease; or the owner of an animal that has been bitten,
29 scratched, or otherwise exposed to a zoonotic disease, shall
30 be provided with any information contained in a rabies
31 vaccination certificate but only with respect to the

1 particular animal biting, scratching, or otherwise causing
2 exposure. Any person with an animal tag number may receive
3 vaccination certificate information with regard to that
4 animal. ~~Federal, state, and local~~ Law enforcement and
5 prosecutorial agencies, + other animal control authorities, +
6 ~~and~~ emergency and medical response and ~~disease~~ control
7 agencies, or other governmental health agencies shall be
8 provided information contained in the rabies vaccination
9 certificate for the purpose of controlling the transmission of
10 rabies; however, the receiving agencies and authorities ~~they~~
11 must not release the exempt ~~such~~ information to the public.
12 ~~Any person, pursuant to a written request, may view or copy~~
13 ~~any individual rabies vaccination certificate, one record at a~~
14 ~~time. A copy of any existing database may be obtained~~
15 ~~provided that the owner's name, street address, and phone~~
16 ~~number, and the animal tag number, are not made available.~~
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18 ~~This exemption is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review~~
19 ~~Act of 1995 in accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand~~
20 ~~repealed on October 2, 2003, unless reviewed and saved from~~
21 ~~repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.~~

22 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2003.

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24 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
25 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
26 SB 462

27 Specifies the information in the certificate that is exempt.

28 Provides that the information is exempt but not confidential
29 and exempt.

30 Removes a provision that permits review of individual
31 certificates, though still permits physicians to obtain the
information.