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**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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3/17/2009 Senate Read second time [SJ](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2009\03-17-09.docx)‑12

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(A173, R206, S328)

**AN ACT** **TO AMEND SECTION 47‑5‑60, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO INOCULATING PETS AGAINST RABIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THESE INOCULATIONS MUST BE ADMINISTERED BY A LICENSED VETERINARIAN OR SOMEONE UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED VETERINARIAN.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

**Inoculation of pets; rabies inoculations by or under supervision of veterinarian**

SECTION 1. Section 47‑5‑60 of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 343 of 2002, is further amended to read:

“Section 47‑5‑60. A pet owner must have his pet inoculated against rabies at a frequency to provide continuous protection of the pet from rabies using a vaccine approved by the department and licensed by the United States Department of Agriculture. The rabies inoculation for pets must be administered by a licensed veterinarian or someone under a licensed veterinarian’s direct supervision, as defined in Section 40‑69‑20. Evidence of rabies inoculation is a certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian. The rabies vaccination certificate forms may be provided by the licensed veterinarian or by the department or its designee. The veterinarian may stamp or write his name and address on the certificate. The certificate must include information recommended by the National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians. The licensed veterinarian administering or supervising the administration of the vaccine shall provide one copy of the certificate to the owner of the pet and must retain one copy in his files for not less than three years. With the issuance of the certificate, the licensed veterinarian shall furnish a serially numbered metal license tag bearing the same number and year as the certificate with the name and telephone number of the veterinarian, veterinary hospital, or practice. The metal license tag at all times must be attached to a collar or harness worn by the pet for which the certificate and tag have been issued. Annually before February first, the veterinarian shall report to the department the number of animals inoculated against rabies during the preceding year. The department, in conjunction with licensed veterinarians, shall promote annual rabies clinics. The fee for rabies inoculation at these clinics may not exceed ten dollars, including the cost of the vaccine, and this charge must be paid by the pet owner. Fees collected by veterinarians at these clinics are their compensation.”

**Time effective**

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Ratified the 13th day of May, 2010.

Became law without the signature of the Governor -- 5/20/2010.

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