

SB 587 - AS INTRODUCED

2024 SESSION

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SENATE BILL **587**

AN ACT relative to animals brought into this state.

SPONSORS: Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. Gendreau, Dist 1; Sen. Perkins
Kwoka, Dist 21; Sen. Gray, Dist 6; Sen. Soucy, Dist 18; Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen.
Murphy, Dist 16; Sen. Birdsell, Dist 19; Sen. Innis, Dist 7; Rep. Aron, Sull. 4; Rep.
Bixby, Straf. 13; Rep. Creighton, Hills. 30; Rep. Moffett, Merr. 4

COMMITTEE: Energy and Natural Resources

ANALYSIS

This bill enables the department of agriculture markets, and foods to adopt rules about quarantine requirements for dogs, cats, or ferrets brought into the state for transfer.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Four

AN ACT relative to animals brought into this state.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Quarantine for Animals Brought into this State. Amend RSA 437:8, IV to read as follows:

2 IV. Once a dog, cat, or ferret intended for transfer has entered the state, it shall be held at
3 least 48 hours at a facility licensed under RSA 437 or at a facility operated by a licensed veterinarian
4 separated from other animals on the premises before being offered for transfer, ***except as provided***
5 ***in RSA 437:9, V.***

6 2 Rulemaking; Transfer of Animals. Amend RSA 437:9, V-VI to read as follows:

7 V. ***Exceptions to the quarantine requirements for individual animals that have***
8 ***entered the state and are intended for transfer that may allow them to share primary***
9 ***enclosures.***

10 VI. Setting limits for reasonable daily boarding and care costs for animals confiscated under
11 RSA 644:8, IV.

12 ~~[VI.]~~ VII. Any other matter the commissioner may deem necessary to carry out the
13 provisions of this subdivision.

14 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.