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Amendment

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To: Subst. House Bill No. 5355

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"AN ACT ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR THE ADEQUACY OF DOG SHELTER DURING EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Not later than July 1, 2018,
4 the Commissioner of Agriculture shall convene and, as necessary to
5 effectuate the required membership, select members for a working
6 group to develop recommendations for legislation to: (1) Reduce the
7 number of attacks by domestic animals that result in the death or
8 serious injury of another animal or person, and (2) study the process
9 for appealing animal control officer disposal orders while ensuring

10 due process for animal owners. Such working group shall consist of
11 the Commissioner of Agriculture, or the commissioner's designee, the
12 State Veterinarian, a representative of the Office of the Attorney
13 General, a representative of the Connecticut State Police, a
14 representative of the Connecticut Municipal Animal Control Officers'
15 Association, a representative of the American Society for the
16 Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, two victims of dog attacks or their
17 designees, a representative of the Humane Society of the United States,
18 the chief elected officials of three municipalities, one of whom shall
19 represent a municipality with a population of one hundred thousand
20 or more persons, one of whom shall represent a municipality with a
21 population between ten thousand and less than one hundred thousand
22 persons, and one of whom shall represent a municipality with a
23 population of less than ten thousand persons, a representative of Our
24 Companions Animal Rescue, a representative of a municipal police
25 department, a representative of a municipal fire department or
26 ambulance department, a representative of the International
27 Association of Animal Behavior Consultants and the owner of a dog
28 for which an animal control officer has issued a disposal order. No
29 member of such working group shall also serve as a member of an
30 organization that has a primary purpose of conducting dog bite-
31 related research. In undertaking its work, such working group shall
32 hold at least two public forums. The commissioner shall submit the
33 recommendations of such working group to the joint standing
34 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
35 relating to the environment on or before January 1, 2019."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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