

HOUSE _____ **AMENDMENT NO.** _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 131, Page 1, Section 273.327, Line 14,
2 by inserting after all of said line the following:

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4 “273.333. The state veterinarian or an animal welfare official or the attorney general of
5 Missouri may, upon his own information, and shall, [or] upon the complaint of any person, [may]
6 institute an investigation including the inspection during normal business hours of any premises or
7 vehicle upon which any animal is or may be found, and [may] shall determine if any violation of
8 sections 273.325 to 273.357 or of any rule promulgated pursuant to sections 273.325 to 273.357 is
9 deemed to exist. The director, or his designee, [may] shall issue an order to the person
10 responsible for the violation to appear at an administrative hearing. The director, or his designee,
11 upon a finding that such a violation occurred after a hearing thereon, shall issue remedial orders
12 enforceable in the circuit courts of this state to correct such violations, and in addition [may] shall
13 assess an administrative penalty in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars for each
14 violation. In assessing the amount of penalty under sections 273.327 to 273.342, the director shall
15 take into account the seriousness of the violation and the extent of damage to third parties and the
16 state. All penalties collected shall be deposited to the state general revenue fund. In addition, the
17 director may assess the reasonable costs of remedying a violation in the event that the person
18 responsible is unwilling or unable to correct the violation within a reasonable period of time. Any
19 person aggrieved by the decision of the director may appeal as provided in sections 536.100 to
20 536.140.”; and

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22 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
23 accordingly.