

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to amending Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 53.73 to delete the sunset clause.

Recommendation for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE dated March 11, 2016 amending LAMC Section 53.73 which prohibits the sale of commercially bred dogs, cats and rabbits in pet stores, retail businesses or other commercial establishments in the City of Los Angeles, by deleting the sunset clause which will otherwise cause Section 53.73 to expire on June 30, 2016.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On April 6, 2016, your Committee considered a March 14, 2016 City Attorney report and Ordinance relative to amending LAMC Section 53.73 to delete the sunset clause. According to the City Attorney, on October 24, 2012, Council adopted an ordinance to make it unlawful for any person to sell any live dog, cat or rabbit in any pet store, retail business or other commercial establishment located in the City of Los Angeles, unless the dog, cat or rabbit was obtained from an animal shelter or a humane society located in the City of Los Angeles, or a non-profit rescue organization registered with the Department of Animal Services (Council File No. 11-0754).

The ordinance took effect on January 1, 2013, and by its terms will expire on June 30, 2016, unless the regulations are made permanent prior to that date. This proposed Ordinance amends LAMC Section 53.73, by deleting the sunset clause thereby making permanent the regulations therein.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the Ordinance as detailed in the City Attorney report and the above recommendation. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KORETZ:	YES
RYU:	ABSENT
HARRIS - DAWSON:	YES

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