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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4297

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 4297 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 Research Dogs and Cats Adoption Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. In this Act:

7 "Animal rescue organization" means any nonprofit
8 organization incorporated for the purpose of rescuing animals
9 in need and finding permanent, adoptive homes for the animals.

10 "Research facility" means an institution of higher
11 education or corporation located in this State that receives
12 public funds, federal or State, for scientific, educational, or
13 research purposes or a facility that provides research in
14 collaboration with an institution of higher education with the
15 use of public funds.

1 Section 10. Research dogs and cats adoption requirement.

2 (a) A research facility that confines dogs or cats for
3 scientific, educational, or research purposes and plans on
4 euthanizing the dog or cat for other than scientific,
5 educational, or research purposes must first offer the dog or
6 cat to an animal rescue organization.

7 (b) A research facility that is required to offer dogs or
8 cats to an animal rescue organization under this Section may
9 enter into an agreement with the animal rescue organization to
10 protect the research facility from liability.

11 (c) A research facility that provides a dog or cat to an
12 animal rescue organization under this Section is immune from
13 any civil liability that otherwise might result from the
14 research facility's actions, provided that the research
15 facility is acting in good faith.

16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
17 becoming law.".