



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

HB2500

Introduced 2/15/2023, by Rep. Harry Benton

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 605/3.20 new

Amends the Animal Welfare Act. Provides that an animal control facility shall not charge an adoption fee for a dog or cat if the person adopting the dog or cat presents to the animal control facility a current and valid driver's license, Illinois Identification Card, or Illinois Person with a Disability Identification Card with the word "veteran" printed on its face. Provides that an animal control facility may limit the number of dogs or cats adopted from that animal control facility pursuant to this Section to one dog or cat each 6-month period.

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Animal Welfare Act is amended by adding
5 Section 3.20 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 605/3.20 new)

7 Sec. 3.20. Veteran fee waiver for dog or cat adoption.

8 (a) An animal control facility shall not charge an
9 adoption fee for a dog or cat if the person adopting the dog or
10 cat presents to the animal control facility a current and
11 valid Illinois driver's license, Illinois Identification Card,
12 or Illinois Person with a Disability Identification Card with
13 the word "veteran" printed on its face.

14 (b) An animal control facility may limit the number of
15 dogs or cats adopted from that animal control facility
16 pursuant to this Section to one dog or cat each 6-month period.