

**SENATE  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
NINETY-FOURTH SESSION**

**S.F. No. 1029**

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02/06/2025	298	Introduction and first reading
02/10/2025	346	Referred to Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development
03/24/2025		Author added Boldon
		Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Judiciary and Public Safety

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to state government; modifying the classification of commercial dog and

1.3 cat breeder data collected and maintained by the Board of Animal Health; modifying

1.4 kennel and dealer advertising requirements; requiring the Board of Animal Health

1.5 to post certain kennel, dealer, and commercial breeder information; amending

1.6 Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.643, subdivision 6; 347.36; 347.37; 347.58,

1.7 subdivisions 2, 5.

1.8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.9 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13.643, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

1.10 Subd. 6. **Animal premises data.** (a) Except for farmed Cervidae premises location data

1.11 collected and maintained under section 35.155, the following data collected and maintained

1.12 by the Board of Animal Health related to registration and identification of premises and

1.13 animals under chapter 35, are classified as private or nonpublic:

- 1.14 (1) the names and addresses;
- 1.15 (2) the location of the premises where animals are kept; and
- 1.16 (3) the identification number of the premises or the animal.

1.17 ~~(b) Except as provided in section 347.58, subdivision 5, data collected and maintained~~

1.18 ~~by the Board of Animal Health under sections 347.57 to 347.64 are classified as private or~~

1.19 ~~nonpublic.~~

1.20 ~~(e)~~ (b) The Board of Animal Health may disclose data collected under paragraph (a) ~~or~~

1.21 ~~(b)~~ to any person, agency, or to the public if the board determines that the access will aid

1.22 in the law enforcement process or the protection of public or animal health or safety.

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 347.36, is amended to read:

2.2 **347.36 ADVERTISING.**

2.3 All advertising pertaining to the sale of animals by any person, firm, or corporation  
2.4 licensed hereunder shall include the number of the current license issued to such licensee  
2.5 or a link to a website that includes the number of the current license.

2.6 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 347.37, is amended to read:

2.7 **347.37 PUBLIC ACCESS; NOTICE; INSPECTION; ENFORCEMENT.**

2.8 Subdivision 1. Inspection and enforcement. (a) The Board of Animal Health shall  
2.9 cause to be inspected from time to time all kennels and dealers licensed hereunder and all  
2.10 records required by sections 347.31 to 347.40 to be kept by the licensees.

2.11 (b) Any duly authorized agent of the board, any sheriff, or sheriff's deputy, or police  
2.12 officer, or humane agent appointed pursuant to section 343.01 is granted the power and the  
2.13 authority to enter upon the premises of any kennel or dealer at any time during the daylight  
2.14 hours for the purposes herein set forth, and for the purposes of inspecting the compliance  
2.15 with the provisions of sections 346.55, 347.31 to 347.40 and the rules issued pursuant  
2.16 thereto, and for the purposes of enforcing sections 346.55, or 347.31 to 347.40; except that  
2.17 humane agents shall not enter upon the premises of a licensed veterinarian acting as a kennel.

2.18 Subd. 2. Notice. (a) Each dealer shall post a conspicuous notice in a format no less than  
2.19 24 by 36 inches and easily readable by the general public, that states: (1) that the person is  
2.20 a licensed dealer in dogs and cats; (2) that dogs and cats left with the dealer may be used  
2.21 for research purposes; and (3) the hours the dealer is open to the public. The notice must  
2.22 be placed in at least two locations on the premises, one of which must be on or near the  
2.23 exterior mail delivery point and one of which must be at the regularly used point of exchange  
2.24 of dogs and cats. A person may view dogs and cats in the custody of a dealer during the  
2.25 time the premises is open to the public. Dealers are required to be open to the public on a  
2.26 regular basis at least four hours between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on at least four of the  
2.27 seven days of each week including at least one Saturday or Sunday. Any advertisement  
2.28 placed by a dealer seeking dogs or cats must inform the public that dogs and cats brought  
2.29 to the dealer may be used for research purposes.

2.30 (b) The board must maintain and post in a timely manner on the board's public website  
2.31 the following information:

2.32 (1) a list of kennels and dealers licensed and in good standing under sections 347.31 to  
2.33 347.40, including all business names that the licensee uses in connection with the sale or

3.1 adoption of dogs or cats and the total number of animals kept, congregated, or confined in  
3.2 the previous calendar year;

3.3 (2) copies of all annual reports, inspection records, and enforcement records from the  
3.4 last five years for each kennel or dealer; and

3.5 (3) a list of kennels or dealers whose licenses have expired or have been revoked by the  
3.6 board during the last five years, including all business names that the licensee used in  
3.7 connection with the sale or adoption of dogs or cats and any reasons for revocation.

3.8 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 347.58, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

3.9 Subd. 2. **Inspections.** (a) The board must inspect each licensed facility at least annually.  
3.10 The inspection must be with the commercial breeder or an agent of the commercial breeder  
3.11 present. The inspector must submit an inspection report to the board within ten days of each  
3.12 inspection on a form prepared by the board. The inspection report form must list separately  
3.13 each law, rule, regulation, and ordinance the facility is not in compliance with and what  
3.14 correction is required for compliance. The inspection report form must document the animal  
3.15 inventory on the date of the inspection and must contain all business names used by the  
3.16 commercial breeder in connection with the sale of dogs or cats, the facility identification  
3.17 number, the name of the facility, and the city or township in which the facility is located.

3.18 (b) If, after the prelicense inspection, the commercial breeder has two consecutive years  
3.19 of inspections with no violations, the board must inspect the commercial breeder at least  
3.20 every two years. If the commercial breeder has any violations during an inspection or if the  
3.21 board has cause, the board must inspect the commercial breeder at least annually.

3.22 (c) If a license to operate is suspended, revoked, or denied, the board must be granted  
3.23 access to the facility during normal business hours to verify that it is not operating.

3.24 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 347.58, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

3.25 Subd. 5. **Posting of information.** The board must maintain and post in a timely manner  
3.26 on its the board's public website the following information:

3.27 (1) a list of commercial breeders licensed and in good standing under this section,  
3.28 including all business names that the licensee uses in connection with the sale of dogs or  
3.29 cats and the total number of animals produced and sold in the previous calendar year;

3.30 (2) copies of all annual reports, inspection forms, and enforcement records from the last  
3.31 five years for each commercial breeder; and

- 4.1 (3) a list of commercial breeders whose licenses have expired or have been revoked by  
4.2 the board during the last five years, including all business names that the licensee used in  
4.3 connection with the sale of dogs or cats and any reasons for revocation.