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Bill Analysis

SB 950 creates the Pet Store Licensing Act and defines terms. The measure prohibits the sale of any dog by a pet store if the dog was not acquired from a shelter, wholesaler, or breeder. The store is further prohibited from selling dogs less than eight weeks old, without a certificate of veterinarian inspection, without a permanent implanted identification microchip, or to a person less than eighteen years old. Dogs sourced from breeders must be properly certified by the breeder relating to the dog's health and the breeder's location and certification.

The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry shall issue the license authorizing the operation of a pet store. The operator must submit an application containing the operator's testimony that he or she will comply with the provisions of this measure and the license fee. The license will be renewed annually. The measure also creates a series of escalating fines for failing to comply with the provisions of this measure. The fees and fines will be deposited in the newly created Pet Store License Revolving Fund.

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Fiscal Analysis

FY'20 Impact: License fee revenue and fines

Full Year Impact: License fee revenue and fines

SB 950 creates a license for pet shops to be administered by ODAFF. Revenues from fees and fines would be deposited in a newly created revolving fund.

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