

BILL SUMMARY
2nd Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 4335
Version:	POLREC
Request Number:	16312
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Impact:	Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

The policy recommendation to HB 4335 authorizes counties and municipalities to enforce rules and ordinances relating to the operation of retail pet shops and to regulate and inspect such pet shops. Counties and municipalities are prohibited from banning retail pet shops from selling animals within their jurisdictions unless the shop or the shop owner has violated the Commercial Pet Breeders and Animal Shelter Licensing Act three or more times over a five year period. Ordinances enacted before January 1, 2026 are exempt from these provisions.

Additionally, the measure requires the Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry to send a license expiration notice to animal shelter operators and commercial pet breeders 90 days before their license is set to expire. Previously, the notice was to be sent 60 days before expiration.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.