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File Number: 67344

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File Type: Ordinance

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Reference:

Controlling Body: BOARD OF
HEALTH FOR
MADISON AND
DANE COUNTY

File Created Date : 09/08/2021

File Name: Prohibit Declawing

Final Action:

Title: SUBSTITUTE - Creating Section 23.66 of the Madison General Ordinances to prohibit removing or disabling a cat's claws by performing a declawing procedure, and amending Section 1.08(3)(a) of the Madison General Ordinances to update and revise bail deposits for violations thereof, and amending Section 1.08(4) to provide Director of Public Health Madison Dane County enforcement authority to issue citations for violations thereof.

Notes: 6524declawbanSUB

Sponsors: Lindsay Lemmer and Sheri Carter

Effective Date:

Attachments: 67344 Body.pdf, 67344 version 1.pdf, 67344 -
Substitute Body.pdf, 67344 version 2.pdf

Enactment Number:

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Published Date:

History of Legislative File

Ver- sion:	Acting Body:	Date:	Action:	Sent To:	Due Date:	Return Date:	Result:
1	Attorney's Office	09/08/2021	Referred for Introduction				
	Action Text:		This Ordinance was Referred for Introduction				
	Notes:		Board of Health for Madison and Dane County				
1	COMMON COUNCIL	09/21/2021	Refer	BOARD OF HEALTH FOR MADISON AND DANE COUNTY			Pass
	Action Text:		A motion was made by Abbas, seconded by Martin, to Refer to the BOARD OF HEALTH FOR MADISON AND DANE COUNTY. The motion passed by voice vote/other.				
2	BOARD OF HEALTH FOR MADISON AND DANE COUNTY	12/01/2021					

Text of Legislative File 67344

Fiscal Note

The proposed ordinance change prohibits removing or disabling a cat's claws by performing a declawing procedure, updates and revises bail deposits for violations, and provides the Director of Public Health Madison Dane County enforcement authority to issue citations for violations. Public Health does not anticipate many citations. Informal surveys of local veterinarians indicate that most have stopped declawing cats already. There may be staffing impacts due to following up on complaints, however, the number of complaints can't be estimated at this time.

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Body

DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: This ordinance creates a ban on removing or disabling a cat's claws by performing a declawing procedure, except as necessary for therapeutic purposes, and creates bail deposits for violations of the ordinance.

This substitute removes the exception for wild cats and any references to a licensed veterinarian.

The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

See 67344 - Substitute Body in Attachments.