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Com. Sub. For HOUSE BILL No. 2233

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#### **COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE**

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## H. B. 2233

(By Delegates Douglas, Manuel, Faircloth, Doyle and Evans)

[Passed March 10, 1995; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section eight, article twenty-a, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to dogs and cats being permitted to run at large, subject to any quarantine established by the commissioner of agriculture; subject to such ordinances or rules relating to the control and management of dogs as may be promulgated by a county commission or municipality, with limited exemptions for hunting and farm dogs and dogs engaged in lawful training activity.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section eight, article twenty-a, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 20A. VACCINATION OF DOGS AND CATS FOR RABIES.

§19-20A-8. Vaccinated dogs and cats may run at large; confinement may be required by the commissioner of agriculture within the limits

of any quarantine area or locality; and ordinances or rules may be promulgated by any county commission or municipality relating to the control and management of dogs within the county; providing limited exemption for hunting and farm dogs from county commission or municipality action.

1 Dogs or cats vaccinated in compliance with the 2 provisions of this article may run at large in any area or 3 locality: Provided. That the commissioner of agriculture may, pursuant to article nine of this chapter, exercise his discretion to establish a quarantined area or locality and to require all dogs and cats within the limits of any quarantined area or locality to be confined as provided in 8 article nine: Provided, however, That a county commis-9 sion or a municipality may adopt and enforce ordinances 10 not inconsistent with the provisions of article twenty of this 11 chapter of the code, as it considers necessary or conve-12 nient for the control and management of all dogs in the 13 county, or a portion thereof, vaccinated or not, except as 14 further provided herein: Provided further, That any 15 county commission or municipality may not adopt any 16 ordinance which purports to keep any vaccinated dog from running at large while engaged in any lawful 17 18 hunting activity; from running at large while engaged in 19 any lawful training activity; or from running at large while 20 engaged in any lawful herding or other farm related 21 activity: And provided further, That the provisions of this 22 section shall not exempt any dog from any quarantine 23 established by or any confinement order required by the 24 commissioner relating to the establishment of a quaran-25 tine.

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The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.
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