



A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC SPAY AND NEUTER CLINIC FOR DOGS AND CATS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the People of the City and County of Honolulu:

SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to amend the City's spay and neuter clinic and program.

SECTION 2. The City administration, in conjunction with the animal control contractor, is authorized to establish a pilot program to reduce the City's free-roaming cat overpopulation through the humane spaying and neutering of free-roaming cats, and to provide Medicaid card and low-income housing voucher holders with a reduced certificate price. The requirements for the pilot program are as follows:

- (a) The price of a certificate must be no more than:
 - (1) \$10 for the spaying of a free-roaming female cat;
 - (2) \$10 for the neutering of a free-roaming male cat; or
 - (3) \$20 for a member of the public who has been issued a Medicaid card or a low-income housing voucher.
- (b) The change in the certificate price must not reduce the contracted reimbursement rate for veterinarians.
- (c) The pilot program will commence on September 1, 2017 and terminate on June 30, 2018.
- (d) The City administration shall submit to the Council a status report by April 15, 2018, which will include at a minimum:
 - (1) An assessment of the cost-effectiveness of the pilot program in reducing the City's free-roaming cat population;
 - (2) An assessment of the fiscal impact of reducing the certificate price for members of the public that have been issued a Medicaid card or a low-income housing voucher; and
 - (3) An evaluation of whether the components of the pilot program should be codified in Chapter 7, Article 5, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 ("Public Spay and Neuter Clinic for Dogs and Cats").



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For the purposes of the pilot program, "Medicaid card" means a card issued by the State Department of Human Services under the federal Medicaid program for health care coverage, and "Low-income housing voucher" means a voucher or other form of documentation from the State or City that verifies that the household is currently receiving rental assistance for low-income households.

SECTION 3. This ordinance takes effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

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Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Deputy Corporation Counsel

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 20 _____.

KIRK CALDWELL, Mayor
City and County of Honolulu