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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 617, L.D. 1905, Bill, "AN ACT to Enable the Purchase and Administering of Barbiturates for the Euthanasia of Pets and Animals."

Amend the bill by inserting, before the enacting clause, the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the purchase and administering of barbiturates for the euthanasia of pets and animals is presently forbidden by law; and

Whereas, this legislation permits the purchase and administering of barbiturates when in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Commissioner of Agriculture; and

Whereas, this change in the law is vitally necessary at the earliest possible time for the continued operation of approved animal shelters; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, '

Further amend the bill by inserting, before the statement of fact, the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to add an emergency provision to the bill.

Filed by Mr. Laffin of Westbrook.

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