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KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill

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School: DeSales HS	House	Senate

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An act to enforce the control of unregulated domestic animal breeding

Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: Dog and cat overpopulation in the state of Kentucky is a growing problem. Overpopulation leads to more stray animals being abandoned, neglected, or euthanized. Requiring major pet store chains to spay or neuter a certain percentage of their animals prior to selling them would lower the number of animals that are out on the streets.

Section 2: Spaying or Neutering 65% of all the dogs and cats the stores carry will be required of all major pet store chains in the state of Kentucky. This percentage is slightly over half, so it will lessen the amount of strays that end up on the street, while also leaving enough animals to reproduce for the store and also allow the freedom for pet owners to choose whether or not they want a spayed or neutered animal. Which dogs or cats are included in that 65% is up to the individual store's discretion.

Section 3: This bill would be paid for by the pet stores as an additional regulation they must follow.

Section 4: Failure to comply will first result in a warning. Second offense would result in a fine of \$500 (per animal), and \$1000 for the third offense (per animal).

Section 5: This bill would be enacted on January 1st, 2018.