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SUMMARY

Removes prohibition against issuing dog license without proof of rabies inoculation. Deletes county authority to consider dog license as proof rabies vaccination certificate has been filed.

Authorizes counties to impose certain conditions or requirements, or provide other means, to verify compliance with dog vaccination requirements.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to animals; amending ORS 433.375; and repealing ORS 433.377.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 433.375 is amended to read:

433.375. (1) The owner of [*the animal*] **a dog for which inoculation is required under ORS 433.365** shall present by mail or otherwise the inoculation certificate, together with the fee fixed pursuant to ORS 433.380, if any, to the clerk of the county in which the owner resides.

(2) The county shall upon receipt of the fee and presentation of the certificate issue to the owner a serial-numbered tag, legibly identifying its expiration date as such date is determined in accordance with rules of the Oregon Health Authority relating to intervals of inoculation. The tag shall be designed for and shall be attached to a collar or harness that must be worn by the dog for which the tag and certificate are issued at all times when off or outside the premises of the owner. Whenever an original tag is lost, mutilated or destroyed, upon application and payment of the fee prescribed under ORS 433.380, if any, a replacement tag, to be dated, designed and worn as the original, shall be issued.

1 *[(3) No official of any county shall issue a license for a dog until the offi-*
2 *cial has been shown a proper certification, or its equivalent, of a rabies inoc-*
3 *ulation.]*

4 **(3) A county may:**

5 **(a) Condition the licensing of a dog for which inoculation is re-**
6 **quired under ORS 433.365 upon the owner presenting proof that the dog**
7 **has been vaccinated against rabies;**

8 **(b) Require veterinarians to report dog vaccinations for rabies to**
9 **the county; or**

10 **(c) Provide other means acceptable to the Oregon Health Authority**
11 **for verifying compliance with the dog vaccination requirement in ORS**
12 **433.365.**

13 (4) If the county files the certificate upon which a tag is issued, it shall
14 be cross-referenced to the tag number. If the certificate is not filed, the
15 county shall keep an appropriate record of the expiration date and number,
16 if any, of the certificate cross-referenced to the tag number. Notwithstanding
17 ORS 205.320 (1)(a), a fee is not required for filing the certificate.

18 (5) Unexpired tags shall be honored in all counties when the *[animal]* **dog**
19 is in transit or where the owner has established a new residence.

20 (6) The provisions of this section apply to a city, rather than a county,
21 in a city that has a dog licensing program.

22 **SECTION 2. ORS 433.377 is repealed.**

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