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## SENATE AMENDMENTS TO A-ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 3494

By COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND EARLY CHILDHOOD

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On page 1 of the printed A-engrossed bill, delete line 4. 1 2 In line 5, delete "2" and insert "1". 3 In line 6, delete "dog or a cat" and insert "feline, dog, rabbit, ferret, iguana or bird". In line 15, delete "a dog or a cat" and insert "an animal". 5 In line 17, after the semicolon insert "and". Delete lines 18 through 26 and insert: 6 (c) The procedure is medically necessary to treat or relieve a physical illness, disease or injury 7 or to correct a congenital abnormality that is causing or will cause the animal physical harm or 8 9 pain.". 10 On page 2, delete line 1. 11 In line 2, delete "a cat" and insert "an animal". 12In line 4, after the semicolon insert "and". 13 Delete lines 5 through 16 and insert: 14 "(c) The procedure: 15"(A) Is medically necessary to treat or relieve a physical illness, disease or injury or to correct 16 a congenital abnormality that is causing or will cause the animal physical harm or pain; 17 "(B) Is performed on a dog for the sole purpose of removing the animal's dew claws; 18 "(C) Is necessary to modify destructive use of the animal's claws that presents a physical health 19 risk to an individual living in the same household as the animal, provided the animal's owner sub-20 mits to the veterinarian documentation from a physician that the animal's destructive use of its 21claws exacerbates a severe medical condition suffered by the affected individual; or 22"(D) Is necessary to modify destructive use of the animal's claws that presents a physical health 23risk to a human. 24 "(4) Before performing a procedure for the reason described in subsection (3)(c)(D) of this sec-25tion, the veterinarian performing the procedure shall: 26 "(a) Verify that attempts to prevent the animal from destructively using its claws have failed; 27and 28"(b) Fully explain to the owner of the animal the surgical procedure and its potential compli-29cations. 30 (5) A veterinarian may report any declawing procedure the veterinarian performs to the 31 Oregon Veterinary Medical Association. 32"(6) A veterinarian that performs a procedure described in subsection (2) or (3) of this section 33 shall provide to the owner of the animal written documentation attesting that the veterinarian has 34 complied with the requirements of this section. 35"SECTION 2. The Oregon Veterinary Medical Association shall report the data collected

- 1 under section 1 (5) of this 2015 Act to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly
- 2 related to human services on or before December 31, 2016.".

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