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This tax credit addresses an immediate problem with needing to move animals out of rescue facilities, however, it creates long-term problems that will be damaging to many of the animals being adopted.

The cost to adopt an animal are minor compared to the long-term costs of owning one. If the cost is problematic, the person considering adoption will probably have a great deal of problems with the ongoing costs of pet ownership.

The cost of roughly \$100 to adopt a pet that has been "fixed" is a deal. The real cost is in the increasing cost of food, the roughly \$130 annual cost of rabies, distemper, kennel cough, flee control, and other "medical" needs. These are basic expenses which can increase overnight if the animal becomes sick or is injured.

The cost of pet adoption needs to be large enough to discourage "impulse adoption", and encourage consideration of the impacts of having a new family member for the sake of the animals.

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