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## **SENATE BILL No. 46**

By Committee on Ways and Means

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AN ACT concerning the Kansas pet animal act; relating to seizure andimpoundment of animals.

13 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) When an animal is seized or impounded pursuant to K.S.A. 47-1706, 47-1707 or 47-1715, and amendments thereto, the owner or person who was in possession of the animal at the time such animal was seized or impounded may prevent sale, placement or euthanasia of the animal by posting a *cash* bond in an amount sufficient to pay for the animal's care and keeping for a period of at least 30 days, commencing on the date which the animal was seized or impounded.

21 Such bond shall be filed with the Kansas animal health depart-(b) 22 ment and shall be posted on or before the date of the disposition hearing 23or within ten days after the animal is seized or impounded, whichever is 24earlier. At the end of the time for which expenses are covered by the 25bond if the owner or person who was in possession of the animal at the 26 time it was seized or impounded desires to prevent disposition of the 27 animal, such owner or person shall post a new *cash* bond prior to the 28previous bond's expiration. At the end of the time for which expenses are 29 covered by *the* bond, the animal may be sold, placed or euthanized <del>unless</del> 30 there is a court order prohibiting such disposition.

(c) The authority seizing or impounding an animal shall give notice
by delivering a copy of this section to a person residing on the property
where the animal was seized or by posting a copy at the place where the
animal was seized.

(d) Nothing in this section shall prevent the euthanasia at any time
of an animal seized or impounded which is determined by an officer of
a duly incorporated humane society or a licensed veterinarian to be diseased or disabled beyond recovery for any useful purpose.

(e) This act is supplemental to and shall become a part of the Kansaspet animal act.

41 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 42 publication in the statute book.

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