

6037-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Agriculture & International Trade
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Brief Description: Authorizing animal care and control agencies and nonprofit humane societies to provide limited veterinarian services.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Recognizes that low-income households may not receive needed veterinary services for household pets. It is the intent of the legislature to allow qualified animal control agencies and humane societies to provide limited veterinary services to low-income members of our communities. It is not the intent of the legislature to allow these agencies to provide veterinary services to the public at large.

Provides that animal care and control agencies as defined in RCW 16.52.011 and nonprofit humane societies, that have qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code may provide limited veterinary services to animals owned by qualified low-income households. The veterinary services provided shall be limited to electronic identification, surgical sterilization, and vaccinations. For purposes of this act, "low-income household" means the same as in RCW 43.185A.010.