

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2000 SESSION

CHAPTER 582

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 38 of Title 54.1 a section numbered 54.1-3812, relating to release of records.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 38 of Title 54.1 a section numbered 54.1-3812 as follows:

§ 54.1-3812. Release of records.

A. A veterinarian licensed by the Board shall release or authorize the release of rabies immunization records and other relevant treatment data of an animal under his care to a requesting physician who is contemplating the administration of the rabies treatment protocol to any person under his care who has been the victim of a bite or traumatic injury to the skin or body from such animal.

B. Any veterinarian licensed by the Board who in good faith releases or authorizes the release of an animal's rabies immunization records and other relevant data pursuant to this section shall not be liable for civil damages resulting from the release of such information.