

**Department of Planning and Budget
2015 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number: SB699

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Stanley

3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. Title: Community cat programs; localities to authorize operation of programs.

5. Summary: This bill allows localities to authorize the operation of community cat programs. In a community cat program, a caregiver who has an outdoor, free-roaming cat sterilized and returns it to the area where it was captured is not considered the legal owner or custodian of the cat. The bill exempts a community cat caregiver from criminal and civil liability for any decisions made or services rendered as part of a community cat program, except for willful and wanton misconduct.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that this bill will not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; localities.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is identical to HB 1586 as introduced.