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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DOMESTIC ANIMALS.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 142, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to part IV to be appropriately  
3 designated and to read as follows:

4           "§142- Domestic animals; rules. The department of  
5 agriculture shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 regarding  
6 the care of domestic animals. The rules shall apply to any  
7 person who owns, possesses, controls, or otherwise has charge or  
8 custody of a domestic animal. The rules shall address, at  
9 minimum, the following as they relate to domestic animals:

- 10           (1) Regular exercise;  
11           (2) Sufficient food and clean water;  
12           (3) Sufficient housing or shelter;  
13           (4) Sufficient space for movement;  
14           (5) Sufficient veterinary care;  
15           (6) A microchip implanted under the skin, if applicable  
16           and upon the consent of the owner; and



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1        (7) Reasonable restrictions on tethering of the domestic  
2        animal, if applicable."

3        SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

4        SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Domestic Animals; Department of Agriculture; Rules

**Description:**

Requires the department of agriculture to adopt rules regarding the care of domestic animals.

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