CHAPTER 133

SCHWENGEL BRIDGE S.F. 409

AN ACT naming an I-80 bridge "Schwengel Bridge".

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 314.26 SCHWENGEL BRIDGE.

The interstate 80 bridge crossing the Mississippi river between the states of Iowa and Illinois shall be known as the "Schwengel Bridge" in honor of Fred Schwengel, who served for five terms as a member of the general assembly of the state of Iowa and was elected to the congress of the United States in 1954, 1956, 1958, 1960, 1962, 1966, 1968, and 1970.

Approved May 14, 1993

CHAPTER 134

DOGS AND CATS TRANSFERRED BY POUNDS AND ANIMAL SHELTERS
H.F. 136

AN ACT relating to the care of dogs and cats transferred by animal care facilities, authorizing fees and providing penalties.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 162.20 STERILIZATION.

- 1. A pound or animal shelter shall not transfer ownership of a dog or cat by sale or adoption, unless the dog or cat is subject to sterilization. The sterilization shall involve a procedure which permanently destroys the capacity of a dog or cat to reproduce, either by the surgical removal or alteration of its reproductive organs, or by the injection or ingestion of a serum. The pound or animal shelter shall not relinquish custody until it provides for one of the following:
 - a. Sterilization performed by a veterinarian licensed pursuant to chapter 169.
- b. The execution of an agreement with a person intended to be the permanent custodian of the dog or cat. The agreement must provide that the custodian shall have the dog or cat sterilized by a veterinarian licensed pursuant to chapter 169.
- 2. The pound or animal shelter maintaining custody of the dog or cat may require that a person being transferred ownership of the dog or cat reimburse the pound or animal shelter for the amount in expenses incurred by the pound or animal shelter in sterilizing the dog or cat, if the dog or cat is sterilized prior to the transfer of ownership of the dog or cat to the person.
- 3. a. The sterilization agreement may be on a form which shall be prescribed by the department. The agreement shall contain the signature and address of the person receiving custody of the dog or cat, and the signature of the representative of the pound or animal shelter.
- b. The sterilization shall be completed as soon as practicable, but prior to the transfer of the ownership of the dog or cat by the pound or animal shelter. The pound or animal shelter may grant an extension of the period required for the completion of the sterilization if the extension is based on a reasonable determination by a licensed veterinarian.
- c. A pound or animal shelter shall transfer ownership of a dog or cat, conditioned upon the confirmation that the sterilization has been completed by a licensed veterinarian who performed the procedure. The confirmation shall be a receipt furnished by the office of the attending veterinarian.