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CARE AND PROTECTION OF ANIMALS AMENDMENT ACT 2018

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WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Care and Protection of Animals Act 1975;

Be it enacted by The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Assembly of Bermuda, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Citation

1 This Act, which amends the Care and Protection of Animals Act 1975 (the "principal Act"), may be cited as the Care and Protection of Animals Amendment Act 2018.

Amends section 8

2 Section 8 of the principal Act is amended by adding after subsection (1) the following—

"(1A) Where an officer of the Department or of a recognized society has reason to suspect that an animal has suffered cruelty in accordance with subsection (1), he may seize the animal pending final determination of the matter complained of under subsection (1)."

Inserts sections 8A and 8B

3 The principal Act is amended by inserting after section 8 the following—

"Entry on premises

8A An officer of the Department or of a recognized society for any purpose connected with the discharge of his duties under section 8(1A) shall have the right to enter at all reasonable times any premises used wholly or partially for the keeping or custody of an animal, and to remain on such premises for such time as may be

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necessary to determine if an act of animal cruelty has taken place, in contravention of section 8.

Inspection of premises

8B An officer of the Department or of a recognized society shall have the right to inspect, at all reasonable times, any premises used wholly or partially for the keeping or custody of an animal, and to remain on such premises for such time as may be necessary to determine if an act of animal cruelty has taken place, in contravention of section 8.”.

Commencement

4 This Act comes into operation on such day as the Minister may appoint by notice published in the Gazette.

[Assent Date: 26 July 2018]

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