

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1071

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE OF VETERINARY BIOLOGICS AND MEDICINAL PREPARATION

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled.

SECTION 1. For purposes of this Act, the terms "veterinary biologics", "veterinary medicinal preparations", "livestock", "poultry". And "house pets" are to be construed to mean:

(a) Veterinary biologics are preparations which include serum and bacterial and viral products from biological laboratories.

(b) Serum for veterinary use, be it normal or immune, are those for the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of diseases of different species of livestock poultry and house pets.

(c) Bacterial and viral products for veterinary use, including vaccines and antigens, are those for the diagnosis of, and immunization against diseases of livestock, poultry and house pets.

(d) Medicinal preparations for veterinary use, are, those pharmaceutical products for the treatment and prevention of diseases as well as for other purposes in the protection and improvement of livestock, poultry and house pets.

(e) Livestock comprises the mammalian animals, and poultry, the avian animals which are domesticated and kept or raised in backyards or on farms.

(f) House pets are those animals which are kept in homes like the dogs, cats, rabbits, birds, etc.

SECTION 2. It shall be unlawful for any agency or store or sell to the public veterinary biologics and medicinal preparations other than registered pharmacies or drugstores (boticas), biological laboratories, veterinary clinics and government veterinary agencies.

SECTION 3. The manager or proprietor of any agency, store, or entity which fails to comply with the provisions of this Act shall be guilty or misdemeanor, and upon convictions shall be punished by a fine of not less than Penalties violations for one hundred pesos nor more than two hundred pesos for imprisonment for not less than thirty days nor more than six months, or by both fine and imprisonment for each offense, and shall be the duty of the Provincial or City Fiscal where such offense is committed to prosecute all persons violating the provisions of this Act, upon proper complaint being made. All fines collected under this Act shall be paid into the treasury of the province or city where the prosecution is held.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take precedence above all existing rules and regulations regarding the sale of veterinary biologics and medicinal preparations in the Philippines.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.