STATE BOARD OF HEALTH NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Department of Public Health

RULE NUMBER AND TITLE: 420-4-4-.05, Exceptions To Veterinary Confinement and Quarantine

INTENDED ACTION: Amend Rule 420-4-4-.05

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: Exempts an animal that bites the owner or another person living in the same dwelling as the animal from a required veterinary exam on the tenth (last) day of the home quarantine period. Exemptions apply only to animals that otherwise meet all of the requirements for home quarantine [e.g. the bite was the result of a provoked incident, animal is currently vaccinated against rabies, and owner agrees to the existing requirements of home quarantine listed in 420-4-4-.05].

TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: A public hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m. on January 20, 2015, at the Alabama Department of Public Health, RSA Tower, Suite 1540, 201 Monroe Street, Montgomery, AL 36104.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENTS AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: Written or oral comments will be received until the close of the record at 5:00 p.m. on <u>February 4, 2015</u>. All comments and requests for copies of the proposed amendments should be addressed to the contact person listed below.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Dee W. Jones, DVM, State Public Health Veterinarian, Bureau of Communicable Disease, Department of Public Health, 201 Monroe Street, Suite 1443, Montgomery, Alabama 36104. Telephone number (334) 206-5971 or (800) 338-8374.

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