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An Act to Amend the Animal Health Act

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BE IT ENACTED by the Lieutenant Governor and the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Prince Edward Island as follows:

1. The *Animal Health Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. A-11.1, is amended by the addition of the following after section 20:

21 Exposure of animals to disease or toxic substance

No person shall, without lawful authority or excuse, enter a building or other enclosed place in which animals are kept knowing that or being reckless as to whether entering such a place could result in the exposure of the animals to a disease or toxic substance that is capable of affecting or contaminating them.

22 Offence and penalty - natural person

(1) Notwithstanding subsection 19(1), any natural person who contravenes or violates section 21 is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of not less than \$200 or more than \$50,000, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or to both, and to pay such restitution as the judge thinks fit to any person aggrieved or affected by the contravention or violation.

Offence and penalty – corporation

(2) Notwithstanding subsection 19(1), any corporation that contravenes or violates section 21 is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of not less than \$200 or more than \$100,000, or its directors to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or to both, and to pay such restitution as the judge thinks fit to any person aggrieved or affected by the contravention or violation.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SECTION 1 amends the *Animal Health Act* to add sections prohibiting entry to a place in which animals are kept that could result in the exposure of the animals to a disease or toxic substance that is capable of affecting or contaminating them, and sets out the penalties that would apply to natural persons or corporations that are guilty of an offence under the new provision.



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