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1	TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:		
2	The Committee on Ways and Means to which was referred House Bill No.		
3	626 entitled "An act relating to animal welfare" respectfully reports that it has		
4	considered the same and recommends that the report of the Committee on		
5	Government Operations and Military Affairs be amended in Sec. 2, 20 V.S.A.		
6	§ 3581, by striking out subsection (f) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof		
7	a new subsection (f) to read as follows:		
8	(f) In addition to the license fees assessed in subsections (a) and (c) of this		
9	section and section 3583 of this title, municipal clerks shall assess a $\$1.00$		
10	$\underline{\$3.00}$ fee for each license sold. The clerks shall forward the fees collected		
11	under this subsection to the State Treasurer on or before the 15th day of May,		
12	September, and January of each year, together with an accounting of the		
13	licenses sold. The funds collected under this subsection are to be used for		
14	rabies control programs and for administration of animal welfare laws in the		
15	State. For this purpose, on or before the 30th days of May, September, and		
16	January, the State Treasurer shall disburse the funds collected under this		
17	subsection as follows:		
18	(1) Forty-five <u>14.85</u> percent to the Fish and Wildlife Fund-:		
19	(2) Forty-five <u>14.85</u> percent to the Commissioner of Health-:		
20	(3) Ten <u>3.3</u> percent to the Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets;		
21	and		

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1	(4) 67 percent to the Animal Welfare Fun	d created by section 3203 of
2	this title.	
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13		FOR THE COMMITTEE

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