

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2005 Wisconsin Act 237 [2005 Assembly Bill 218]

Castrating Dogs and Cats

2005 Wisconsin Act 237 amends the prior law that stated that a veterinarian's license is not required for castrating male dogs, cats, horses, pigs, goats, sheep, or cattle. Under the Act, a veterinarian's license is required for castrating a male dog or cat. A veterinarian's license is not required for castrating male livestock (defined as bovine animals, sheep, goats, swine, farm-raised deer, and equine animals).

Effective Date: The Act takes effect on April 13, 2006.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: http://www.legis.state.wi.us/.