



INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

May 21, 2018

TO: Mayor Teresa Jacobs
-AND-
Board of County Commissioners

FROM: George A. Ralls, M.D., Deputy County Administrator

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SUBJECT: **BCC Work Session Item – June 5, 2018**
Retail Pet Sales

On June 5, 2018, the Board will hold a work session addressing the retail sale of pets in Orange County. Several local governments in Florida have adopted ordinances prohibiting the retail sale of certain pets. This policy approach is aimed at reducing the demand for animals bred and sold by commercial breeders, while increasing the demand for pets obtained through adoption from shelters and pet stores.

Staff will provide a presentation covering an overview of the commercial pet breeding industry, the regulatory framework applicable to retail pet sales and local policies pertaining to this issue. Staff is seeking Board input regarding the desire to advance potential code amendments.

This work session is for informational purposes only. No Board action will be requested.

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