

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to animals; amending s. 379.372, F.S.;
 3 revising provisions concerning specified activities
 4 involving iguanas; creating s. 828.32, F.S.; providing
 5 definitions; prohibiting pet stores from selling or
 6 offering for sale domestic dogs and cats; providing
 7 penalties; providing construction; providing an
 8 effective date.

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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
 13 379.372, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14 379.372 Capturing, keeping, possessing, transporting, or
 15 exhibiting venomous reptiles, reptiles of concern, conditional
 16 reptiles, or prohibited reptiles; license required.—

17 (2)(a) A person, party, firm, association, or corporation
 18 may not keep, possess, import into the state, sell, barter,
 19 trade, or breed the following species except for educational,
 20 research, or eradication or control purposes:

- 21 1. Burmese or Indian python (*Python molurus*).
- 22 2. Reticulated python (*Python reticulatus*).
- 23 3. Northern African python (*Python sebae*).
- 24 4. Southern African python (*Python natalensis*).
- 25 5. Amethystine or scrub python (*Morelia amethystinus*).

- 26 | 6. Green Anaconda (*Eunectes murinus*).
- 27 | 7. Nile monitor (*Varanus niloticus*).
- 28 | 8. ~~Green Iguana~~ (~~*Iguana iguana*~~).
- 29 | 9. Tegu lizard (any species of the genera *Salvator* or
- 30 | *Tupinambis*).
- 31 | 10. Any other reptile designated as a conditional or
- 32 | prohibited species by the commission.

33 | Section 2. Section 828.32, Florida Statutes, is created to
 34 | read:

35 | 828.32 Retail sale of domestic dogs and cats.-

36 | (1) As used in this section, the term:

37 | (a) "Pet store" means a business that sells or offers for
 38 | sale animals to the public at retail for profit. The term does
 39 | not include a person who sells or offers for sale directly to
 40 | the public only animals that the person bred and raised.

41 | (b) "Sell" or "offer for sale" means to advertise or
 42 | display for sale, barter, or trade.

43 | (2) A pet store may not sell or offer for sale a domestic
 44 | dog or cat.

45 | (3) The sale or offer for sale of a domestic dog or cat in
 46 | violation of this section is a noncriminal violation, punishable
 47 | as provided in s. 775.083. Each such sale or offer for sale
 48 | constitutes a separate offense.

49 | (4) This section does not prohibit the enactment or
 50 | enforcement of a municipal or county ordinance restricting the

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51 | sale or offer for sale of animals that is more stringent than
52 | this section.

53 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.