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**REPORT RE:**

**DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 53.00 OF THE LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 53.06.1 TO RAISE THE LIMIT OF CATS THAT A PERSON MAY KEEP OR MAINTAIN FROM THREE TO FIVE AND IMPOSING CONDITIONS UPON A PERSON WHO KEEPS OR MAINTAINS MORE THAN THREE CATS**

The Honorable City Council  
of the City of Los Angeles  
Room 395, City Hall  
200 North Spring Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Council File No. 13-1513

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to your request, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. The draft ordinance adds a new Section 53.06.01 to the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to raise the limit of cats a person may keep or maintain from three to five and requires a person with more than three cats to: (1) spay or neuter all cats; (2) keep all cats solely inside; (3) implant electronic identification devices or microchips in all cats; and (4) submit a form that provides the number of cats owned or kept, and any other information the Department of Animal Services deems relevant. The newly added Section 53.06.1 also clarifies the current maximum limit of three dogs that a person may keep or maintain. The draft ordinance also amends the definition of "Cat Kennel" in Section 53.00 of the LAMC.

Council Rule 38 Referral

A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Department of Animal Services with a request that all comments, if any, be presented directly to the City Council when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Steve Houchin, at (213) 978-8197. He or another member of this Office will be available when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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Transmittal