

California Spay-Neuter Bill in Limbo

Responsible Pet Ownership Act, AB1634, could be brought up for another vote.

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A bill that, under certain conditions, would require the sterilization of cats and dogs was considered Friday by the California State Senate and was granted "reconsideration."

California Assembly Bill 1634, formerly known as the California Healthy Pets Act and now cited as the California Responsible Pet Ownership Act, can be brought up for another vote next week as it stands.

The bill, authored by Assemblymember Lloyd Levine (D-Van Nuys), must be voted on before Aug. 31 to stay alive. Amendments to the measure most recently added microchip rules, and also have made it so that only cats and dogs who are repeat offenders to animal control ordinances would be required to be sterilized.

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