Dog License Surcharge Fees for Animal Population Control Efforts

New York State Agriculture and Markets Law Section 110(3) requires all municipalities issuing dog licenses to collect surcharges of at least one dollar ($1) for altered dogs and at least three dollars ($3) for unaltered dogs for the purposes of carrying out animal population control efforts. Fees collected by municipalities pursuant to section 110(3) must be submitted to the Department of Agriculture and Markets for deposit in the animal population control fund. These funds are used in the statewide animal population control program administered by the ASPCA pursuant to New York State Agriculture and Markets Law Section 117-a.

Fees collected by municipalities must be remitted to the Department of Agriculture and Markets by the 5th of the month covering activities of the preceding month using the Animal Population Control Fund Form on the Department’s website at https://agriculture.ny.gov/animals/guidance-municipalities. Remittance should be mailed to the address on the form. Fees submitted without the required remittance form will be returned to sender. Questions or concerns can be directed to DA1@agriculture.ny.gov.