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Three Proposed Initiatives Enter Circulation

1. *Confinement and Feeding of Veal Calves. Confinement of Pregnant Farm Pigs. Initiative Statute.*
2. *Confinement of Pregnant Farm Pigs. Initiative Statute.*
3. *Confinement of Veal Calves and Pregnant Farm Pigs. Initiative Statute.*

SAN FRANCISCO --- Secretary of State Kevin Shelley announced today that the proponent of three new initiatives has received clearance to begin collecting petition signatures for his measure.

The Attorney General's official titles and summaries are as follows:

CONFINEMENT AND FEEDING OF VEAL CALVES. CONFINEMENT OF PREGNANT FARM PIGS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Prohibits confining or tethering a veal calf or a pregnant pig on a farm in a manner that prevents the animal from turning around. Prohibits failing to feed a calf sufficient iron or solid food. Does not apply to reasonable veterinary procedures, public events and prebirthing pigs. Violations are misdemeanors. Veal calf provisions are effective upon enactment. Farm pig provisions are effective January 1, 2008.

CONFINEMENT OF PREGNANT FARM PIGS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Adds section 599g to the Penal Code to make it a misdemeanor for a person to confine or tether a pregnant farm pig in a manner that prevents the animal from turning around freely. Does not apply to the prebirthing time period, reasonable veterinary procedures, and public events. Effective January 1, 2008.

CONFINEMENT OF VEAL CALVES AND PREGNANT FARM PIGS. INITITAVE STATUTE. Prohibits confining or tethering a veal calf or pregnant pig on a farm in a manner that prevents the animal from turning around. Does not apply to reasonable veterinary procedures, public events and prebirthing pigs. Violations are misdemeanors. Veal calf provisions are effective upon enactment. Farm pig provisions are effective on January 1, 2008.

The proponent, Eric Sakach, must collect 373,816 signatures of registered voters for his measure. The 150-day deadline to circulate petitions is December 19, 2003. The proponent can be reached through the Law Office of J. William Yeates (916) 860-2000.

For a copy of the complete texts, titles & summaries, and circulation calendars, please contact the Secretary of State's Press Office at (916) 653-6575.

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