

40-13-13-.07 Exemptions.

(1) Any person who raises, keeps, sells, or maintains animals solely for the purpose of human consumption shall be exempt from this chapter.

(2) Any person who sells only animals they have produced shall not be considered a pet dealer under this chapter unless such person:

(a) is licensed for an animal related business by a local government,

(b) is subject to a Georgia sales tax number for an animal related business,

(c) is subject to the “Bird Dealers’ Licensing Act”,

(d) sells more than one litter in any twelve (12) month period,

(e) sells more than 30 adult animals in any twelve (12) month period,

(f) produces animals that pose a public health risk or exhibit illness or disease causing chronic pain and suffering, or

(g) has been determined by the Department not to treat animals humanely or has been convicted of cruelty to animals.

(3) Operation of a veterinary hospital or clinic by a licensed veterinarian or veterinarians for its customary purposes shall not be considered a kennel, pet dealer, or stable under this chapter.

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