

**SECTION 15 – CONFIDENTIALITY AND NONDISCLOSURE**

**15.1 CONFIDENTIALITY AND NONDISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN INFORMATION:**

- a) Information contained in a rabies vaccination certificate, in any record compiled from the information contained in one or more certificates, or in the county registry of dogs and cats that identifies or tends to identify the owner or an address, telephone number, or other personally identifying information of the owner of the registered dog or cat is confidential and not subject to disclosure under Chapter 552, Government Code. The

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information contained in the registry, certificate or record may not include the social security number or driver's license number of the owner of the registered animal.

- b) The information may be disclosed only to a governmental entity or to a person that under a contract with a governmental entity, provides animal control services or animal registration services for the governmental entity for purposes related to the protection of public health and safety. A governmental entity or person that receives the information must maintain the confidentiality of the information, may not disclose the information under 552, Government Code, and may not use the information