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**TITLE 345 INDIANA STATE BOARD OF
ANIMAL HEALTH**

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DIGEST

Temporarily adds provisions that prohibit or limit the movement of prairie dogs and Gambian rats and exposed animals into and within the state. Permits the state veterinarian to require cleaning and disinfecting of conveyances. Authority: IC 15-2.1-18-21. Effective June 9, 2003.

SECTION 1. The definitions in IC 15-2.1-2 and this SECTION apply throughout this document:

- (1) "Board" means the Indiana state board of animal health appointed under IC 15-2.1-3.**
- (2) "State veterinarian" means the state veterinarian appointed under IC 15-2.1-4.**

SECTION 2. The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has diagnosed monkeypox in animals that have been distributed throughout the United States. Monkeypox presents a definite health hazard to the citizens and animals of Indiana. The board of animal health is enacting the following emergency provisions to protect the citizens and animals of Indiana from the threat of monkeypox infection:

- (1) Notwithstanding 345 IAC 1-3, no person may move a prairie dog or Gambian rat into the state.**
- (2) No person may sell, offer for sale, distribute in any manner, or release into the wild prairie dogs or Gambian rats.**
- (3) No person may display, exhibit, or engage in other activity if the activity could result in direct human contact with prairie dogs or Gambian rats acquired since April 1, 2003.**
- (4) A person may not do any of the following:**
 - (A) Move an animal that has been exposed to a prairie dog or Gambian rat acquired since April 1, 2003, into the state.**
 - (B) Sell, distribute in any manner, or release into the wild an animal that has been exposed to a prairie dog or Gambian rat acquired since April 1, 2003.**
 - (C) Display, exhibit, or engage in other activity if the activity could result in direct human contact with an animal that has been exposed to a prairie dog or Gambian rat acquired since April 1, 2003.**

SECTION 3. SECTIONS 1 and 2 of this document expire July 11, 2003.

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