

LEGISLATION and REGULATION



USDA Raises Ventilation Requirements

A U.S. Department of Agriculture ruling which became effective 18 July 1980 has raised the ventilation requirements for crates used to ship dogs and cats from 8% to at least 14%. The percentage refers to the ventilated area of each wall and not to the total amount of ventilation. Therefore, to fulfill the requirement, a crate must have either 28% ventilation on two opposite walls, 8% on two opposite walls and 50% on a third wall containing the door, or an average of 14% on all four walls with no less than 8% on any side.

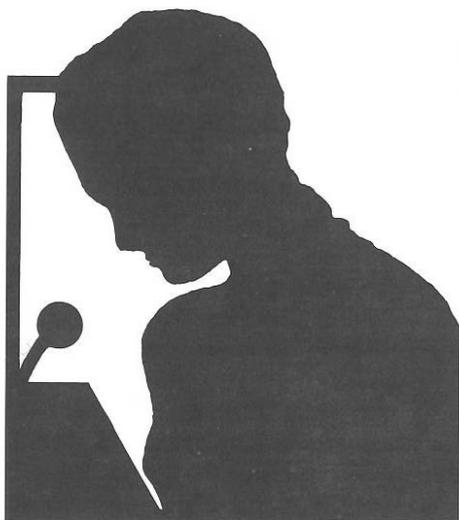
The original USDA proposal, presented last March, called for an increase in the requirement to 18%. (Abstracted from *JAVMA* 177:129, 1980).

Correction

In an article on the Schroeder Bill (*Int J Stud Anim Prob* 1(4)264-266, 1980), it was stated that an earlier version of the bill, which was introduced into the Colorado State Legislature, was "endorsed by the deans of

both the medical and veterinary schools in Colorado." In fact, the Colorado bill had the *support* of the Assistant Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine at Colorado State University and the Chancellor of the University of Colorado Medical School. However, neither individual actually endorsed the bill. We regret the error.

MEETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS



FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Universities Federation for Animal Welfare: 1980 Symposium: *The ecology and control of feral cats*, September 23-24, 1980, University of London, Surrey, UK. Contact The Secretary, UFAW, 8 Hamilton Close, South Mimms, Potters Bar, Herts. EN6 3QD, UK.

American Association for Laboratory Animal Science: 31st Annual Session, October 5-10, 1980, Indiana Convention-Exposition Center, Indianapolis, IN. Contact Mr. Joseph J. Garvey, Exec. Secy., AALAS, 210 N. Hammes Ave., Suite 205, Joliet, IL 60435.