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RCW 16.52.020

Humane societies—Enforcement authority.

Any citizens of the state of Washington incorporated under the laws of this state as a humane society or as a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals may enforce the provisions of this chapter through its animal control officers subject to the limitations in RCW [16.52.015](#) and [16.52.025](#). The legislative authority in each county may grant exclusive authority to exercise the privileges and authority granted by this section to one or more qualified corporations for a period of up to three years based upon ability to fulfill the purposes of this chapter.

[[1994 c 261 § 4](#); [1973 1st ex.s. c 125 § 1](#); [1901 c 146 § 1](#); RRS § 3184.]

NOTES:

Finding—Intent—1994 c 261: See note following RCW [16.52.011](#).

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