

Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment Committee

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By email only 23 May 2022

Dear Cabinet Secretary,

THE NON-COMMERCIAL MOVEMENT OF PET ANIMALS (SCOTLAND) AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 2022 (SS1 2022/131)

At its meeting on 18 May 2022, the Committee considered the above negative instrument and agreed to seek further information on the following points—

- in relation to the efficacy of the ELISA test relative to the FAVN test, whether
 the Scottish Government is content that use of the ELISA test will result in no
 greater risk of rabies entering Scotland with pet animals from Ukraine; and
- if the Scottish Government can confirm which body or individual(s) is responsible for the cost of administering the ELISA test on pet animals entering Scotland.

The Committee would appreciate a response by 20 June 2022.

Yours sincerely

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Convener

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