

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to animals; requiring notice of an estray; specifying civil liabilities;
1.3 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 346.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **[346.021] FINDER TO GIVE NOTICE.**

1.6 A person who finds an estray and knows who owns the estray must notify the estray's
1.7 owner within seven days after finding the estray, and request that the owner pay all reasonable
1.8 charges and take the estray away. A finder who does not know who owns an estray must
1.9 either:

1.10 (1) within ten days, file a notice with the town or city clerk; and post a physical or online
1.11 notice of the finding of the estray. The notice must briefly describe the estray or provide a
1.12 photograph of the estray, provide the residence or contact information of the finder, and
1.13 provide the approximate location and time when the finder found the estray; or

1.14 (2) surrender the estray to a local animal control agency within seven days.

1.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.