

of animal facilities and . . . no new legislation will provide significant new protection against abuse." He added, "the current activity . . . is indeed woefully underfunded."

The cost of funding the APHIS program to where it can effectively fulfill its role under the Animal Welfare Act has been estimated by Agriculture to be less than \$8 million, an amount probably less than what the total cost would be for the state and local agencies.

Whether the Walgren proposal and/or amendments to the Animal Welfare Act are to be enacted by the Congress during this session probably will not be known until a decision is reached regarding the Administration's proposal to transfer the authority for animal welfare enforcement.

In the States

California (Sacramento)—The General Assembly is considering a bill (S 1438) that would prohibit the release of any pound animal for the purpose of research, experimentation, testing, or demonstration.

Florida (Jacksonville)—The City Council is considering a possible repeal of its law permitting the release of pound animals for the purpose of research.

Illinois (Chicago)—An ordinance has been drafted for the City Council that would prohibit the release of pound animals to research institutions; establish a commission to govern the animal shelters; and designate research institutions as catteries and kennels, thus placing them under the governance of the proposed commission.

Missouri (Jefferson City)—Bills (H 1063 and S 509) have been introduced in the General Assembly that would prohibit the release of any animal for the purpose of research. Bills (H 1064 and S 568) also have been introduced that would prohibit the use of live animals in public or private elementary schools and high school.

Colorado (Denver)—A bill being considered by the Colorado General Assembly would make it unlawful to use animals for research, testing, experimentation, or demonstration for scientific, commercial, educational, or other purposes except under certain conditions including certification by the State's Department of Health.

Massachusetts (Boston)—Two bills are before the Massachusetts General Assembly involving the use of animals. One bill calls for the investigation of animal abuse and vivisection by a commission with a mandate that the majority of its members be from animal rights groups. The second bill states that no animal shall be subjected to any scientific investigation, experimentation, or use for medical school or other instruction, or testing of drugs or medicine, if alternative methods are available or the knowledge sought to be gained is available from other scientific data, or if the experiment is repetitive or designed for the purpose of demonstration.

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Development of Methods and Recent Advances in Neuroscience

An IBRO-UNESCO Workshop on "*Development of Methods and Recent Advances in Neuroscience*" was held under the auspices of the University of Algiers at the Hotel Aurassi in Algiers, November 13-24, 1981. Professor Clinton N. Woolsey, University of Wisconsin, IBRO Workshop organizer, worked with Professor Mohamad Abdelmoumene, Professor of Physiology at the University of Algiers, to arrange this workshop. In faculty selection Dr. Abdelmoumene was assisted by Professor Denise Albe-Fessard of Paris and Dr. Suzanne Tyc-Dumont of Marseilles in selecting French faculty, and Dr. J.E. Hind aided Dr. Woolsey in selecting an American faculty to cover audition. Thirty-seven faculty members made a total of 67 presentations. The Hotel Aurassi provided facilities for simultaneous translations from French to English and from English to French. About 20 of the faculty took a four-day trip to the Sahara Desert after the Workshop. Already some Algerians are seeking opportunities to receive research training in Europe and the U.S.A.

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