

# Join Veterinarians in OPPOSING HB1533

We care passionately about the well-being of cats. However, some activist groups and legislators want to remove veterinarians' medical discretion regarding cat declawing surgical procedures. While we believe the surgery should be the last resort, there are times it may be necessary to ensure a cat can thrive in an established, loving home.

**THIS MANDATE WILL RESULT IN CATS BEING NEEDLESSLY PUT UP FOR ADOPTION, ABANDONED OR, IN A WORST-CASE SCENARIO, EUTHANIZED.**

While the bill may be well-intentioned, it puts some cats and their human family members at risk. Veterinarians are extensively educated, trained, licensed, and trusted to make appropriate and compassionate medical decisions that promote animal health and welfare and a positive, healthy bond between pets and their owners. Join us in urging senators to leave medical decisions to medical professionals.

**PLEASE JOIN US IN VOICING OPPOSITION TO HB1533.**

**Call or write: Senator Kimberly Lightford, 4th District  
Address: 4415 Harrison St., Suite 550, Hillside IL 60162  
Phone: 708-632-4500**

*THANK YOU FOR HELPING PROTECT  
VETERINARIANS' ABILITIES TO  
PROTECT PETS AND THEIR FAMILIES.*

