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This bill would prohibit public access to information collected and maintained by the Board of Animal Health when licensing, inspecting, and investigating certain dog and cat kennels or dealers.

For purposes of this law: (1) kennels are animal shelters that accept dogs or cats from municipalities, pounds, or auctions, or that advertise for unwanted, strayed, abandoned, or stolen animals; and (2) dealers are certain public or private entities that sell or transfer dogs or cats to scientific or educational institutions that investigate, or provide instruction concerning, living organisms or animal diseases (Minn. Stat. § 347.31).