



I&R in Germany

Situation and challenges

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The current situation of I&R in Germany

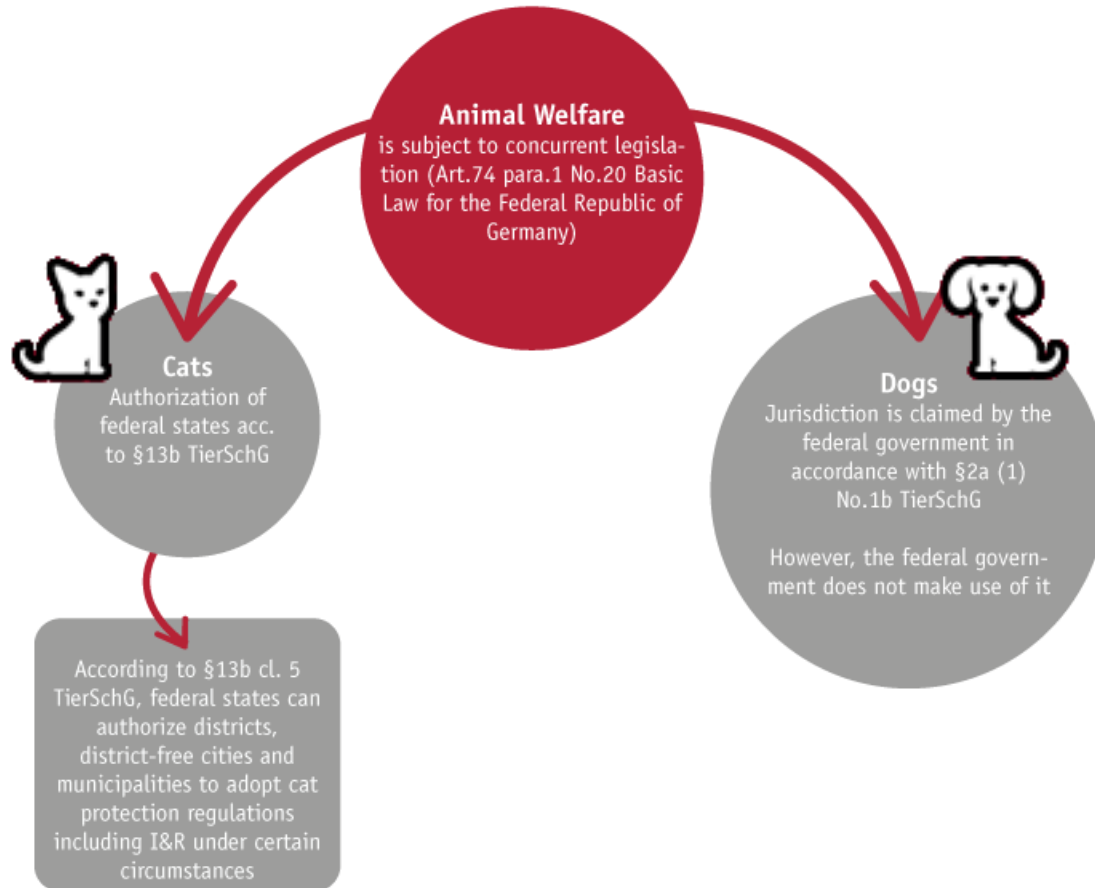
- Lack of a nationwide uniform obligation to identify and register dogs and cats
- Instead: Various different regulations

→ Lack of traceability, time intensive research for authorities and finders of animals



Legal basis for I&R

1) Animal welfare law: Regulations for cats



“The Federal Ministry is hereby empowered to enact by ordinance [...] regulations on the identification of animals, in particular dogs and cats, and on the type and implementation of identification.”
(§ 2a (1) No. 1b TierSchG)

2) Regulatory law: Regulations within the framework of hazard prevention for dogs and cats

I&R regulations for cats and dogs in the German Bundesländer

| | Dogs (PS) | | Cats | | | | | |
|----|--|---|----------|---|----|---|---|----|
| | I | R | PS CM | I | IR | AW CM | I | IR |
| BB | Dangerous dogs and dogs ≥40 kg or ≥20 cm; proof of I at local authority | | 9 | 9 | 3 | | | |
| BE | All dogs ≥3 months Central registry 2022 | | | | | CPR Berlin, Mai 2022 | | |
| BW | Dangerous dogs; If possible, I should be legible without technical means | | | | | 9 | | |
| BY | Dangerous dogs, proof of I at local authority | | | | | 2 districts, protection areas not yet defined | | |
| HB | Dangerous dogs, proof of I at local authority | | 2 | 1 | | | | |
| HE | Dangerous dogs, proof of I at local authority | | 2 | 1 | | 45 | | |
| HH | All dogs ≥3 months Central registry | | | | | Introduction of CPR will be assessed (2022) | | |
| MV | Dangerous dogs, proof of I at local authority | | | | | 17 | | |

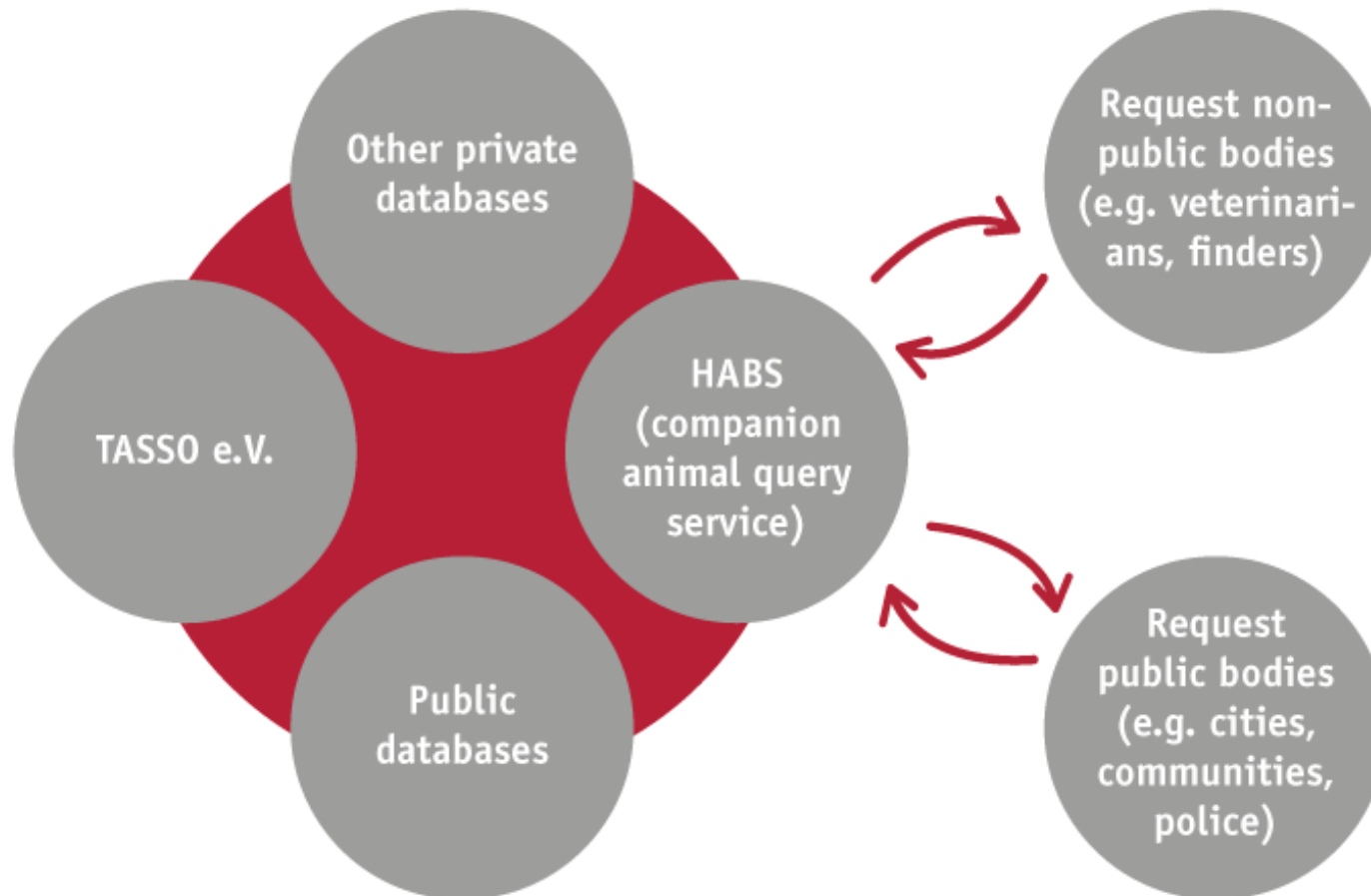
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| | I | R | PS CM | I | IR | AW CM | I | IR |
| NI | All dogs ≥ 6 months Central registry | | 380 | 369 | 122 | 76 | 75 | 73 |
| NRW | Dangerous dogs and dogs ≥40 kg or ≥20 cm Central registry | | 106 | 104 | 30 | 192 | | |
| RP | Dangerous dogs, proof of I at local authority | | | | | 130 | | |
| SL | Dangerous dogs, proof of I at local authority | | | | | CPR since January 21, "hotspots" still to be defined | | |
| SN | | | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | |
| SA | All dogs ≥6 months Central registry | | 5 | 5 | 0 | | | |
| SH | All dogs ≥3 months | | | | | 30 | | |
| THÜ | All dogs ≥3 months Central registry | | 6 | 4 | 1 | 15 | | |

PS: Public safety and order AW: Animal welfare CM: Cities and municipalities
 I: Identification R: Registration CPR: Cat protection regulation

The Network I&R

Goal: Mandatory I&R of dogs and cats in Germany

→ Solution model of for a cost-efficient implementation through connecting databases



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for your attention!