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## PRESS RELEASE

Recently, the Ombudsman has received several e-mail requests from animal lovers, with identical content, whereby the Chamber of Deputies is asked to initiate a coherent, efficient and civilized law for stray dogs and not to adopt the law such as it is now, because it is absurd and unconstitutional.

Under these circumstances and further to such requests, the Ombudsman must communicate the fact that a complaint against the law modifying and amending the Government Emergency Ordinance no. 155/2001 regarding the approval of the stray dogs management programme has been issued to the Constitutional Court which will rule on the constitutionality or unconstitutionality of this law. The solution of the Constitutional Court, which is invalidating, will determine what action shall be taken, including by the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate, the only ones having the competency to adopt a different solution or maintain the existing one.

This press release, which responds to all received requests will be published on the Ombudsman website (<a href="www.avpoporului.ro">www.avpoporului.ro</a>) and presented to the media.

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