

SECOND REGULAR SESSION
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 1907
99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 262, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to working animals, with an emergency clause.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 262, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 262.760, to read as follows:

**262.760. 1. No political subdivision shall impose any order, ordinance, policy, or
2 regulation prohibiting the use of a working animal. Any existing or future order,
3 ordinance, policy, or regulation prohibiting the use of a working animal shall be null and
4 void.**

**5 2. For purposes of this section, "working animal" shall mean the use of any animal
6 for the purpose of performing a specific duty or function in business, commerce, or service
7 including, but not limited to, animals in entertainment.**

Section B. Because immediate action is necessary to preserve the use of working animals
2 in certain cities, the enactment of section 262.760 of section A of this act is deemed necessary
3 for the immediate preservation of the public health, welfare, peace and safety, and is hereby
4 declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and the enactment of
5 section 262.760 of section A of this act shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and
6 approval.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.