1 State of Arkansas A Bill **ACT 266 OF 1995** 2 80th General Assembly SENATE BILL 124 3 Regular Session, 1995 **By: Senators Walters and Brown** 6 For An Act To Be Entitled 7 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 20-14-304 TO GRANT ALL g PHYSICALLY DISABLED PERSONS THE RIGHT TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY 9 A SERVICE ANIMAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 10 11 Subtitle 12 "AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 20-14-304 TO GRANT 13 14 ALL PHYSICALLY DISABLED PERSONS THE 15 RIGHT TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY A SERVICE 16 ANIMAL." 17 18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 19 20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 20-14-304 is amended to read as follows: "§20-14-304. Right to be accompanied by service animal. (a) Every visually handicapped, hearing impaired or other physically 22 23 disabled person shall have the right to be accompanied by a service animal 24 especially trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an 25 individual with a disability, in or upon any and all public ways, public 26 places, and other public accommodations and housing accommodations prescribed 27 in §20-14-303 and shall not be required to pay any extra fee or charge for the 28 service animal. (b) However, any visually handicapped, hearing impaired or other 29 30 physically disabled person accompanied by a service animal in any public way, 31 public place, public accommodation, or housing accommodations shall be liable 32 for any damage caused to the premises or facilities by the animal." 33 34 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature 35 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code 36 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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         SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
 3 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
 4 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
 5 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
 6 act are declared to be severable.
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         SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
 9 hereby repealed.
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