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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1893

5 By: Representative M. Brown
6 By: Senator K. Hammer
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING EMOTIONAL SUPPORT
10 ANIMALS; TO AUTHORIZE A PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNER OR
11 BUSINESS OWNER TO BAN AN EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMAL
12 FROM THE PRIVATE PROPERTY OR THE BUSINESS PREMISES;
13 TO REGULATE LIABILITY ON PRIVATE PROPERTY RELATED TO
14 EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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18 TO AUTHORIZE A PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNER OR
19 BUSINESS OWNER TO BAN AN EMOTIONAL
20 SUPPORT ANIMAL FROM THE PRIVATE PROPERTY
21 OR THE BUSINESS PREMISES; AND TO
22 REGULATE LIABILITY ON PRIVATE PROPERTY
23 RELATED TO EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS.
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 14, Subchapter 10, is
28 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

29 20-14-1005. Emotional support animals on private property or business
30 premises – Liability.

31 (a)(1) Unless prohibited by the Fair Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. § 3601 et
32 seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025, or other existing federal law, a
33 private property owner may ban an emotional support animal from his or her
34 private property.

35 (2) If the private property is a business, the business owner
36 may ban an emotional support animal from the business premises by:



1 (A) Verbally telling a customer or visitor that the
2 emotional support animal is not allowed on the business premises; or

3 (B) Posting a sign in a conspicuous place at the entrance
4 of the business premises stating that emotional support animals are
5 prohibited.

6 (b) A private property owner or business owner shall not be held
7 liable for an injury to a customer or visitor by an emotional support animal
8 except in a case of gross negligence by the private property owner or
9 business owner.

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