

State of Arkansas
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By: Representative Ellis

HOUSE BILL 1234

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS STATUTES 78-206 AND 207 TO
MAKE DOG OWNERS LIABLE FOR INJURIES THE DOGS INFLICT ON
OTHER DOMESTICATED ANIMALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Act 136 of 1887, as amended, the same being Arkansas Statute 78-206, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. (a) 'Domesticated animals' includes but is not limited to sheep, goats, cattle, swine and poultry.

(b) Any person or persons owning or having in possession or under control any dog, shall be liable in damages to the owner or owners of any domesticated animals killed or injured by such dog, in the full value of such domesticated animal killed or injured."

SECTION 2. Section 2 of Act 136 of 1887, as amended, the same being Arkansas Statute 78-207, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 2. Any person or persons engaged in raising domesticated animals or owning any domesticated animals, who shall sustain any loss or damages to his or their domesticated animals by any dog, shall have a right of action against the owner or owners, person or persons, controller or controllers of such dog. Any person knowing that any dog has killed or is about to catch, injure or kill any domesticated animal shall have the right to kill any such dog, without in any way being liable to the owner or owners of such dog in any courts of this State."

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

