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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 528

5 By: Senator K. Hammer  
6 By: Representative Pearce  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A LOAN OR FINANCING AGREEMENT FOR  
10 THE SALE OF A DOG OR CAT; TO CLARIFY THE REGULATION  
11 OF THE SALE OF A DOG OR CAT; TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR  
12 PROVIDING A LOAN OR FINANCING AGREEMENT FOR THE SALE  
13 OF A DOG OR CAT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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18 FOR THE SALE OF A DOG OR CAT; TO CLARIFY  
19 THE REGULATION OF THE SALE OF A DOG OR  
20 CAT; AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR  
21 PROVIDING A LOAN OR FINANCING AGREEMENT  
22 FOR THE SALE OF A DOG OR CAT.  
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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 14, Chapter 1, Subchapter 1, is amended  
28 to add an additional section to read as follows:

29 14-1-108. Loan or financing agreement for the sale of a dog or cat –  
30 Prohibition – Penalty – Definitions.

31 (a) As used in this section:

32 (1) "Legislative body" means the quorum court of a county or the  
33 city council, board of directors, board of commissioners, or similar elected  
34 governing body of a local government;

35 (2) "Local government" means a county, a city of the first  
36 class, a city of the second class, or an incorporated town;



1           (3) "Ordinance" means an ordinance, resolution, or other  
2 appropriate legislative enactment of a legislative body that:

3                   (A) Prohibits an individual from operating a business from  
4 a residence; or

5                   (B) Requires an individual to obtain approval before  
6 operating a business from a residence; and

7           (4) "Person" means an individual or legal entity.

8           (b) A person shall not offer, arrange, broker, negotiate, place, find,  
9 or service a loan or financing agreement for the sale of a dog or cat.

10           (c) This section does not prohibit a legislative body of a local  
11 government from enacting and enforcing an ordinance that regulates the sale  
12 of a dog or cat.

13           (d) A violation of this section is a Class A misdemeanor.

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