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SENATE ENROLLED ACT No. 293

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning animals.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 23-14-42.5-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.176-2016, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "animal" refers to a:

- (1) law enforcement animal; or
- (2) **service military** animal.

SECTION 2. IC 23-14-42.5-6, AS ADDED BY P.L.176-2016, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "~~service "~~**military** animal" refers to ~~an animal trained as:~~

- (1) ~~a hearing animal;~~
- (2) ~~a guide animal;~~
- (3) ~~an assistance animal;~~
- (4) ~~a seizure alert animal;~~
- (5) ~~a mobility animal;~~
- (6) ~~a psychiatric service animal; or~~
- (7) ~~an autism service animal;~~

a military working dog described in 10 U.S.C. 2583.

SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) **As used in this SECTION, "study committee" refers to the interim study committee on agriculture and natural resources established by IC 2-5-1.3-4 or another appropriate study committee.**

(b) **The legislative council is urged to assign to a study**

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committee the topics of:

(1) federal and state laws and regulations concerning service and assistance animals; and

(2) the permissible uses of service and assistance animals, including emotional support animals and therapy animals, in public accommodations.

(c) If the legislative council assigns the topics described in subsection (b) to a study committee, the study committee shall complete the study required by this SECTION and report its findings and recommendations, if any, to the legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 not later than November 1, 2017.

(d) This SECTION expires January 1, 2018.

SECTION 4. An emergency is declared for this act.



President of the Senate

President Pro Tempore

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Governor of the State of Indiana

Date: _____ Time: _____

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