

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 2244

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE HICKS.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

## AN ACT

To amend chapter 67, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to dogs.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 67, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 67.142, to read as follows:

**67.142. 1. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to limit in any manner the  
2 authority of any village; town; city, including home rule city; or county to prohibit dogs  
3 from running at large or to further control or regulate dogs within its boundaries,  
4 provided that no such ordinance, order, policy, or regulation is specific to breed.**

**5 2. The general assembly hereby occupies and preempts the entire field of legislation  
6 regarding in any way the control or regulation of specific breeds of dogs to the complete  
7 exclusion of any order, ordinance, policy, or regulation by any village; town; city, including  
8 any home rule city; or county in this state. Any existing or future order, ordinance, policy,  
9 or regulation in this field shall be null and void.**

**10 3. Nothing in this chapter shall infringe the ability of any village; town; city,  
11 including any home rule city; or county to enact and enforce a vicious dog order,  
12 ordinance, policy, or regulation if the order, ordinance, policy, or regulation is not specific  
13 to breed.**

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.