

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

3 HOUSE BILL 2008

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to animals; guaranteeing the right to  
8 utilize working animals; prohibiting the banning of  
9 working animals; defining term; providing for  
10 codification; and providing an effective date.

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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 801 of Title 4, unless there is  
15 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 The right to utilize working animals for the mutual benefit and  
17 welfare of working animals and those the working animals serve shall  
18 be guaranteed. No county, municipality, state agency or political  
19 subdivision shall enact or enforce any ordinance, regulation or rule  
20 that terminates, bans or effectively bans by creating undue  
21 financial hardship the job or use of working animals or a working  
22 animal enterprise. For purposes of this section, "working animal"  
23 shall mean any animal used for the purpose of performing a specific  
24 duty or function in commerce or service including but not limited to

1 animals in entertainment, transportation, education, exhibition,  
2 ranching or service.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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