STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016)

HOUSE BILL 2250
By: Renegar and Enns

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to animal rights charitable organizations; prohibiting the solicitation of certain contributions not intended to be used in this state; defining terms; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 554.1 of Title 18, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. No animal rights charitable organization, professional fundraiser for an animal rights charitable organization or professional solicitor employed or retained by a professional fundraiser for an animal rights charitable organization shall engage in the solicitation of contributions from any person in this state intended to be used on program services outside of this state or functional expenses outside of this state.

B. As used in this section:
1. "Animal rights charitable organization" means any individual, organization, group, association, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, trust, or other entity soliciting contributions in this state, other than a natural person, that is described in Section 501(c) of Title 26 of the United States Code, that is organized and operated primarily to benefit animal welfare or to prevent cruelty to animals; and

2. "Contribution" shall have the same meaning as provided by paragraph 3 of Section 552.2 of Title 18 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2016.