HOUSE BILL 361

By Russell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 14 and Title 44, relative to abandoned animals.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-210, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(h) Any officer of a governmental animal control agency may lawfully enter any property or dwelling that the officer reasonably believes is abandoned to rescue any non-livestock animal contained therein.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect on July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.