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HOUSE BILL DRH30554-LUa-102A

Short Title: No Service Animal Registration Req/Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Cooper-Suggs.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY LANGUAGE REGARDING THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT
3 FOR SERVICE ANIMALS UNDER THE LAWS PERTAINING TO PERSONS WITH
4 DISABILITIES TO CONFORM WITH FEDERAL LAW AND TO APPROPRIATE
5 FUNDS FOR A CAMPAIGN TO NOTIFY THE PUBLIC OF THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS
6 WITH DISABILITIES.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 SECTION 1. G.S. 168-4.2 reads as rewritten:

9 "§ 168-4.2. May be accompanied by service animal.

10 (a) Every person with a disability has the right to be accompanied by a service animal
11 trained to assist the person with his or her specific disability in any of the places listed in
12 G.S. 168-3, and has the right to keep the service animal on any premises the person leases, rents,
13 or uses. ~~The person qualifies for these rights upon the showing of a tag, issued by the Department~~
14 ~~of Health and Human Services, under G.S. 168-4.3, stamped "NORTH CAROLINA SERVICE~~
15 ~~ANIMAL PERMANENT REGISTRATION" and stamped with a registration number, or upon~~
16 ~~a showing that the animal is being trained or has been trained as a service animal.~~ The service
17 animal may accompany a person in any of the places listed in G.S. 168-3.

18 (b) An animal in training to become a service animal may be taken into any of the places
19 listed in G.S. 168-3 for the purpose of training when the animal is accompanied by a person who
20 is training the service animal and the animal wears a collar and leash, harness, or cape that
21 identifies the animal as a service animal in training. The trainer shall be liable for any damage
22 caused by the animal while using a public conveyance or on the premises of a public facility or
23 other place listed in G.S. 168-3."

24 SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
25 Health and Human Services the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) for the
26 2022-2023 fiscal year to develop and implement a campaign notifying the public of the rights of
27 persons with disabilities in accordance with this act.

28 SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2022.



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