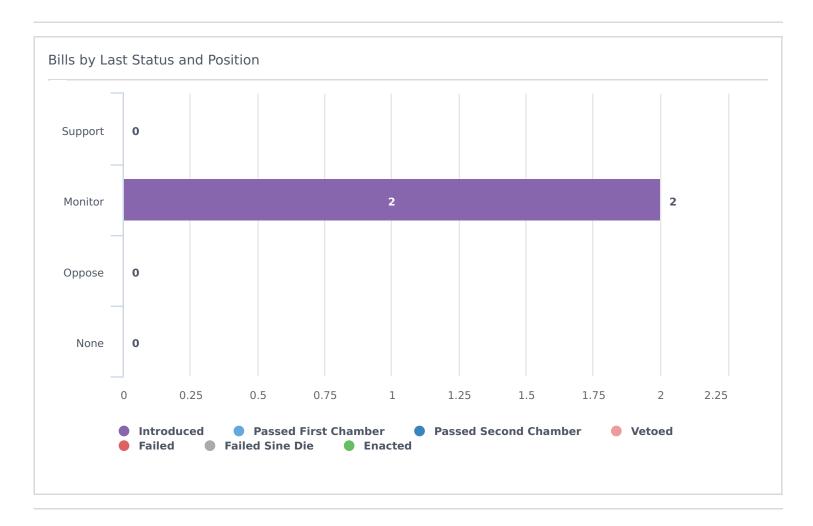


Ohio - 2023 Legislative Overview

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State OH Bill Number HB 277

Last Action

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Status
In House

Position Monitor Priority
None

Title

Authorize a tax credit for landlords that allow companion animals

Description

To amend sections 5726.98, 5747.98, and 5751.98 and to enact sections 5726.61, 5747.86, and 5751.56 of the Revised Code to authorize a tax credit for landlords with policies that allow companion animals in rental dwellings.

Primary Sponsors

Sharon Ray, Juanita Brent

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Amends Title 57 (Taxation), Chapter 5726 (Financial Institutions Tax) of Ohio Revised Code by adding a new Section 5726.661 to authorize a tax credit for landlords with policies that allow companion animals in rental dwellings. Provides for a nonrefundable credit for a financial institution that is a landlord with policies that allow, subject to certain restrictions, tenants to reside with companion animals, during the entire taxable year, at residential premises owned or managed by the landlord. Provides that the amount of the credit shall equal \$750 for each dwelling unit covered by such a policy. Provides that the credit authorized by this section is not allowed unless the financial institution claiming the credit provides to the tax commissioner, in the form and manner required by the commissioner, both of the following: (1) The address of each dwelling unit at which the landlord allows tenants to reside with companion animals that is the basis of a credit authorized under this section; and (2) A copy of the landlord's policies governing companion animals at those dwelling units and the residential premises of which they are a part. Provides that landlord may not impose either of the following respecting the dwelling unit upon which a credit is claimed under this section, or the residential premises of which it is a part, during the taxable year for which the credit is claimed: (1) A nonrefundable fee or additional rent related to companion animals residing there; (2) Breed or size restrictions on companion animals allowed to reside there, except that a landlord may prohibit a companion animal that has been determined to be a dangerous or vicious dog. Provides that the tax commissioner shall compile and publish on the tax department's web site a list of landlords who claim the credit authorized by this section and the addresses of the dwelling units at which each such landlord allows tenants to reside with companion animals. For purposes of this section: "Companion animal" means a dog or a cat.

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State OH

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Last Action

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In House

Position **Monitor**

Priority **Low**

Title

Prohibit abuse of a companion animal corpse

Description

To amend sections 959.131 and 959.99 of the Revised Code to prohibit the abuse of a companion animal corpse.

Primary Sponsors

Tom Young

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Amends Title 9 (Agriculture/Animals/Fences), Chapter 959 (Offenses Relating to Domestic Animals), Section 959.131 (Prohibitions concerning companion animals) of Ohio Revised Code to prohibit the abuse of a companion animal corpse. Adds provision that no person, except as authorized by law, shall knowingly treat a companion animal corpse in a way that would outrage reasonable community sensibilities. Provides that a person who violates this section is guilty of a felony of the 5th degree. In addition, if a person is convicted of or pleads guilty to such a violation, the court shall impose a requirement that the offender undergo psychological evaluation or counseling in addition to any other criminal penalty. Provides that the court shall order the offender to pay the costs of the evaluation or counseling.

Introduction Date: 2023-12-04

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