

State of Arkansas  
95th General Assembly  
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## A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1893

By: Representative M. Brown  
By: Senator K. Hammer

### For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING EMOTIONAL SUPPORT  
ANIMALS; TO AUTHORIZE A PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNER OR  
BUSINESS OWNER TO BAN AN EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMAL  
FROM THE PRIVATE PROPERTY OR THE BUSINESS PREMISES;  
TO REGULATE LIABILITY ON PRIVATE PROPERTY RELATED TO  
EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO AUTHORIZE A PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNER OR  
BUSINESS OWNER TO BAN AN EMOTIONAL  
SUPPORT ANIMAL FROM THE PRIVATE PROPERTY  
OR THE BUSINESS PREMISES; AND TO  
REGULATE LIABILITY ON PRIVATE PROPERTY  
RELATED TO EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 14, Subchapter 10, is  
amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

20-14-1005. Emotional support animals on private property or business  
premises – Liability.

(a)(1) Unless prohibited by the Fair Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. § 3601 et  
seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025, or other existing federal law, a  
private property owner may ban an emotional support animal from his or her  
private property.

(2) If the private property is a business, the business owner  
may ban an emotional support animal from the business premises by:



1                   (A) Verbally telling a customer or visitor that the  
2 emotional support animal is not allowed on the business premises; or

3                   (B) Posting a sign in a conspicuous place at the entrance  
4 of the business premises stating that emotional support animals are  
5 prohibited.

6           (b) A private property owner or business owner shall not be held  
7 liable for an injury to a customer or visitor by an emotional support animal  
8 except in a case of gross negligence by the private property owner or  
9 business owner.

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