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AN ACT relating to assistance dogs. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky: → Section 1. KRS 258.500 is amended to read as follows: (1)As used in subsections (1) to (12) ((11)) of this section, "person" means a "person" with a disability" as defined by KRS 210.770. "Person" also includes a trainer of an assistance dog. As used in this section: (2)(a) "Assistance dog" means a dog that has been individually trained to do work or perform tasks for a person with a disability; and (b) "Assistance-dog-in-training" means a dog or puppy that has been selected for assistance dog work and is being handled by a trainer of an assistance dog. If a person is accompanied by an assistance dog *or an assistance-dog-in-training*, (3) neither the person nor the dog shall be denied admittance to any hotel, motel, restaurant, or eating establishment, nor shall the person be denied full and equal accommodations, facilities, and privileges of all public places of amusement, theater, or resort when accompanied by an assistance dog or assistance-dog-intraining.

19 (4)[(3)] Any person accompanied by an assistance dog or assistance-dog-in-training
 20 shall be entitled to full and equal accommodations on all public transportation, if
 21 the dog does not occupy a seat in any public conveyance, nor endanger the public
 22 safety.

- 23 (5)[(4)] No person shall be required to pay additional charges or fare for the
 24 transportation of any accompanying assistance dog *or assistance-dog-in-training*.
- 25 (6)[(5)] No person accompanied by an assistance dog or assistance-dog-in-training
 26 shall be denied admittance and use of any public building, nor denied the use of any
 27 elevator operated for public use.

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1 (7):(6): Any person accompanied by an assistance dog or assistance-dog-in-training 2 may keep the dog in his or her immediate custody while a tenant in any apartment, 3 or building used as a public lodging. 4 (8):(7): All trainers accompanied by an assistance dog or assistance-dog-in-training 5 shall have in their personal possession identification verifying that they are trainers 6 of assistance dogs. 7 (9):(8): The provisions of this section shall not apply unless the person complies with 8 the legal limitations applicable to nondisabled persons and unless all requirements 9 of KRS 258.015 and 258.135 have been complied with. 10 (10):(9): Assistance dogs and assistance-dogs-in-training 13 is an assistance dog or an assistance-dog-in-training are exempt from all state 14 icensing authorities shall accept that the dog for which the license is sought is an assistance dog or an assistance-dog-in-training 15 (12)::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::			
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2 <u>3.</u> Takes a dog into a place of public accommodation where pets	<u>are not</u>
3 <i>permitted while the dogs is wearing a cape, vest, special leash,</i>	or other
4 <u>form of identification that states or implies that the dop</u>	<u>is an</u>
5 assistance dog or an assistance-dog-in-training entitled to be	present,
6 <i>even if the individual makes no affirmative statements.</i>	
7 (b) Any peace officer or animal control officer may investigate and enfo	orce this
8 <u>subsection by making inquiry of the person accompanied by the</u>	dog in
9 <i>question and issuing a citation. Refusal by the person to answer q</i>	uestions_
10 <u>shall create a presumption that the dog is not an assistance do</u>	<u>z or an</u>
11 assistance-dog-in-training, and the officer may issue the citation	on and
12 require the individual to remove the dog from the place of	<i>public</i>
13 <u>accommodation.</u>	
14 \rightarrow Section 2. KRS 258.991 is amended to read as follows:	
15 Any person violating KRS 258.500 $\frac{(2)}{(2)}$ (3), (4), (5), (6), $\frac{(7)}{(11)}$, $\frac{(12)}{(12)}$	or (14)
16 shall be punished by a fine of not less than two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), r	or more
17 than one thousand dollars (\$1,000)[, or by imprisonment in the county jail for	not less
18 than ten (10) nor more than thirty (30) days, or both. No person shall be charge	l with a
19 violation of KRS 258.500(2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (11), or (12) if the requirements	of KRS
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