

1 AN ACT relating to animal safety.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 411.245 is amended to read as follows:

- 4 (1) A person who enters a vehicle, as defined in KRS 503.010, for the purpose of  
5 removing a minor ***or a domestic animal*** shall be immune from civil liability for any  
6 resulting damage to the vehicle if the person:
- 7 (a) Has a reasonable, good faith belief, based upon the circumstances known to  
8 the person at the time, that entry into the vehicle is necessary because the  
9 minor ***or domestic animal*** is in imminent danger of physical injury if not  
10 immediately removed from the vehicle;
- 11 (b) Has contacted local law enforcement, the local fire department, or a 911  
12 emergency telephone service prior to entering the vehicle;
- 13 (c) Uses no more force to enter the vehicle and remove the minor ***or domestic***  
14 ***animal*** than is reasonably necessary under the circumstances; and
- 15 (d) 1. Remains with the minor ***or domestic animal*** in a safe location, out of  
16 the elements but reasonably close to the vehicle, until law enforcement,  
17 firefighters, or other emergency responders arrive; or
- 18 2. Reasonably determines that emergency conditions require leaving the  
19 scene with the minor ***or domestic animal***, and places written notice on  
20 the vehicle containing:
- 21 a. The person's contact information;
- 22 b. The reason entry into the vehicle was made;
- 23 c. The ~~minor's~~ location ***of the minor or domestic animal***; and
- 24 d. Notice that authorities have been contacted.
- 25 (2) This section does not limit a person's immunity from civil liability or defenses  
26 established in another section of the Kentucky Revised Statutes or available at  
27 common law.