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HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

# HOUSE BILL NO. 1752

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 262, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to working animals.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 262, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 262.760, to read as follows:

262.760. 1. **Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, except as**  
2 **provided in this section, no village, town, city, or county, including any home rule city, shall**  
3 **enact any law, ordinance, or rule that terminates, bans, or effectively bans by creating**  
4 **undue financial hardship the job or use of working animals or an enterprise employing**  
5 **working animals.**

6 2. **Nothing in this section shall alter state or federal laws or statutes that regulate**  
7 **animal care, public health, or safety.**

8 3. **Nothing in this section shall prevent the establishment of or alter village, town,**  
9 **city, or county laws, ordinances, or rules enacted pursuant to chapter 89 regarding animal**  
10 **care, public health, traffic regulations, or public safety unless such law, ordinance, or rule**  
11 **is in violation of this section, in which case this section shall supersede such law, ordinance,**  
12 **or rule.**

13 4. **For purposes of this section, the term "working animal" means any animal used**  
14 **for the purpose of performing a specific duty or function including entertainment,**  
15 **transportation, education, or exhibition by for-profit and not-for-profit entities.**

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.