## HOUSE BILL 2266

## By Boyd

## AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29 and Title 66, relative to service and support animals.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 66-28-406(a), is amended by

deleting subdivision (4) and substituting:

(4) "Reliable documentation":

(A) Means written documentation provided by:

- (i) A healthcare provider with actual knowledge of an individual's disability;
  - (ii) An individual or entity with a valid, unrestricted license,

certification, or registration to serve persons with disabilities with actual knowledge of an individual's disability; or

(iii) A caregiver, reliable third party, or a governmental entity with actual knowledge of an individual's disability; and

- (B) Does not include documentation provided through a website, the
- primary function of which is to provide a certificate, registration, license, or similar

document for a service animal or support animal for a fee;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 66-7-111(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (4) and substituting:

- (4) "Reliable documentation":
  - (A) Means written documentation provided by:

(i) A healthcare provider with actual knowledge of an individual's disability;

(ii) An individual or entity with a valid, unrestricted license,
certification, or registration to serve persons with disabilities with actual
knowledge of an individual's disability; or

(iii) A caregiver, reliable third party, or a governmental entity with actual knowledge of an individual's disability; and

(B) Does not include documentation provided through a website, the primary function of which is to provide a certificate, registration, license, or similar document for a service animal or support animal for a fee;

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it.