

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on a temporary basis, the Animal Control Act of 1979 to clarify that an educational institution is permitted to have animals for educational and instructional purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Classroom Animal for Educational Purposes Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2014”.

Sec. 2. Section 9(h) of the Animal Control Act of 1979, effective October 18, 1979 (D.C. Law 3-30; D.C. Official Code § 8-1808(h)), is amended by adding a new paragraph (6) to read as follows:

“(6) Paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply to educational institutions that possess animals for educational and instructional purposes and that and otherwise comply with humane, sanitary and safe treatment requirements, as set forth in section 502 of the Animal Protection Amendment Act of 2008, effective December 5, 2008 (D.C. Law 17-281; D.C. Official Code § 8-1851.02).”.

Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1073 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

35           Sec. 4. Effective date.

36           (a) This act shall take effect upon its approval by the Mayor (or in the event of a veto by  
37 the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and a 30-day period of Congressional  
38 review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved  
39 December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1), and publication in the  
40 District of Columbia Register.

41           (b) This act shall expire after 225 days of its having taken effect.