

**Enrolled  
House Bill 2345**

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CHAPTER .....

AN ACT

Relating to dogs.

**Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

**SECTION 1. (1) For the purpose of establishing a claim for economic damages, as defined in ORS 31.710, in an action arising from an injury caused by a dog:**

**(a) The plaintiff need not prove that the owner of the dog could foresee that the dog would cause the injury; and**

**(b) The owner of the dog may not assert as a defense that the owner could not foresee that the dog would cause the injury.**

**(2) This section does not prevent the owner of a dog that caused an injury from asserting that the dog was provoked, or from asserting any other defense that may be available to the owner.**

**(3) This section does not affect the requirements for an award of punitive damages provided in ORS 31.730 (1).**

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