

House Bill 3003

Sponsored by Representative HANNA; Representatives BUCKLEY, OLSON, REARDON, THOMPSON

SUMMARY

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Removes from definition of "law enforcement animal" reference to Oregon Police Canine Association.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to law enforcement animals; amending ORS 167.310.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 167.310 is amended to read:

5 167.310. As used in ORS 167.310 to 167.351:

6 (1) "Animal" means any nonhuman mammal, bird, reptile, amphibian or fish.

7 (2) "Domestic animal" means an animal, other than livestock or equines, that is owned or pos-
8 sessed by a person.

9 (3) "Equine" means a horse, pony, donkey, mule, hinny, zebra or a hybrid of any of these ani-
10 mals.

11 (4) "Good animal husbandry" includes, but is not limited to, the dehorning of cattle, the docking
12 of horses, sheep or swine, and the castration or neutering of livestock, according to accepted prac-
13 tices of veterinary medicine or animal husbandry.

14 (5) "Law enforcement animal" means a dog or horse used in law enforcement work under the
15 control of a corrections officer, parole and probation officer, police officer or youth correction offi-
16 cer, as those terms are defined in ORS 181.610, who has successfully completed at least 360 hours
17 of training in the care and use of a law enforcement animal, or who has passed the demonstration
18 of minimum standards established by [*the Oregon Police Canine Association or other*] **an** accredited
19 and recognized animal handling organization.

20 (6) "Livestock" has the meaning provided in ORS 609.125.

21 (7) "Minimum care" means care sufficient to preserve the health and well-being of an animal
22 and, except for emergencies or circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the owner, includes,
23 but is not limited to, the following requirements:

24 (a) Food of sufficient quantity and quality to allow for normal growth or maintenance of body
25 weight.

26 (b) Open or adequate access to potable water in sufficient quantity to satisfy the animal's needs.
27 Access to snow or ice is not adequate access to potable water.

28 (c) For a domestic animal other than a dog engaged in herding or protecting livestock, access
29 to a barn, dog house or other enclosed structure sufficient to protect the animal from wind, rain,
30 snow or sun and that has adequate bedding to protect against cold and dampness.

31 (d) Veterinary care deemed necessary by a reasonably prudent person to relieve distress from

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

- 1 injury, neglect or disease.
- 2 (e) For a domestic animal, continuous access to an area:
- 3 (A) With adequate space for exercise necessary for the health of the animal;
- 4 (B) With air temperature suitable for the animal; and
- 5 (C) Kept reasonably clean and free from excess waste or other contaminants that could affect
- 6 the animal's health.
- 7 (f) For a livestock animal that cannot walk or stand without assistance:
- 8 (A) Humane euthanasia; or
- 9 (B) The provision of immediate and ongoing care to restore the animal to an ambulatory state.
- 10 (8) "Physical injury" means physical trauma, impairment of physical condition or substantial
- 11 pain.
- 12 (9) "Physical trauma" means fractures, cuts, punctures, bruises, burns or other wounds.
- 13 (10) "Possess" has the meaning provided in ORS 161.015.
- 14 (11) "Serious physical injury" means physical injury that creates a substantial risk of death or
- 15 that causes protracted disfigurement, protracted impairment of health or protracted loss or impair-
- 16 ment of the function of a limb or bodily organ.

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