

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 2783**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 7 through 22 and insert:

2 **“SECTION 2. (1) A person commits the offense of unlawful**  
3 **tethering if the person tethers a domestic animal in the person’s cus-**  
4 **tody or control:**

5 **“(a) With a tether that is not a reasonable length given the size of**  
6 **the domestic animal and available space and that allows the domestic**  
7 **animal to become entangled in a manner that risks the health or**  
8 **safety of the domestic animal;**

9 **“(b) With a collar that pinches or chokes the domestic animal when**  
10 **pulled;**

11 **“(c) For more than 10 hours in a 24-hour period; or**

12 **“(d) For more than 15 hours in a 24-hour period if the tether is at-**  
13 **tached to a running line, pulley or trolley system.**

14 **“(2) A person does not violate this section if the person tethers a**  
15 **domestic animal:**

16 **“(a) While the domestic animal remains in the physical presence**  
17 **of the person who owns, possesses, controls or otherwise has charge**  
18 **of the domestic animal;**

19 **“(b) Pursuant to the requirements of a campground or other rec-**  
20 **reational area;**

21 **“(c) For the purpose of engaging in an activity that requires**  
22 **licensure in this state, including but not limited to hunting;**

1       **“(d) To allow the person to transport the domestic animal; or**  
2       **“(e) That is a dog kept for herding, protecting livestock or**  
3       **dogsledding.**

4       **“(3) Unlawful tethering is a Class B violation.”.**

5       Delete lines 25 and 26 and insert:

6       “(1) ‘Adequate bedding’ means bedding of sufficient quantity and quality  
7       to permit a domestic animal to remain dry and reasonably clean and main-  
8       tain a normal body temperature.”.

9       In line 28, delete “an” and insert “a domestic” and delete “and” and insert  
10      a comma.

11      In line 29, before the period insert “and that is maintained to protect the  
12      domestic animal from weather and physical injury”.

13      On page 2, line 3, after “vehicle” delete the rest of the line and insert  
14      “if the domestic animal is kept in the vehicle in a manner or for a length  
15      of time that is likely to be detrimental to the domestic animal’s health or  
16      safety;”.

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