



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 1013

HOUSE BILL NO. 1911

By Representatives Doss, Casada, Hardaway

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1876

By Senators Johnson, Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 44-8-408, relative to dogs running at large.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 44-8-408, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(j)

(1) In addition to the authority granted by §§ 5-1-120, 6-2-201(30), 6-19-101(31), 6-33-101, and 7-1-102, a local government may authorize by resolution or ordinance, as applicable, an animal control agency to seize and take into custody any dog found trespassing on the premises of another.

(2) For purposes of subsection (j):

(A) "Animal control agency" means a county or municipal animal shelter, dog pound, or animal control agency; private humane society; state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency; or any combination thereof, that temporarily houses stray, unwanted, or injured animals; and

(B) "Local government" means any county, municipality, city, or town.

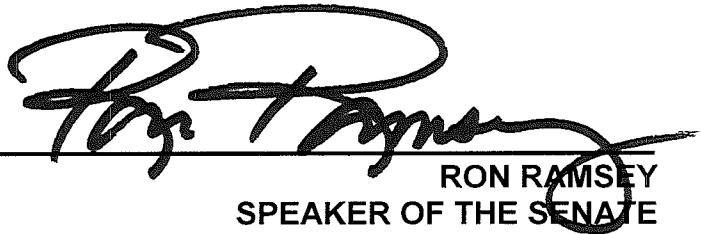
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 19, 2016

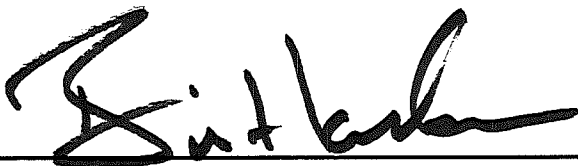


BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 28th day of April 2016



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR