

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1811

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE HICKS.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 273, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to dogs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 273, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 273.195, to read as follows:

2 **273.195. 1. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to limit in any manner the**
3 **authority of any village, town, or city, including any home rule city, to prohibit dogs from**
4 **running at large or to further control or regulate dogs within its boundaries; provided that,**
5 **no such ordinances, orders, policies, or regulations are specific to breed.**

6 **2. The general assembly hereby occupies and preempts the entire field of legislation**
7 **touching in any way the control or regulation of specific breeds of dogs to the complete**
8 **exclusion of any order, ordinance, policy, or regulation by any village, town, or city,**
9 **including any home rule city, in this state. Any existing or future orders, ordinances,**
10 **policies, or regulations in this field are hereby and shall be null and void.**

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.