

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By _____

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 181, Page 1, Section A, Line 2, by
2 inserting after all of said line and section the following:

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4 "575.353. 1. A person commits the offense of assault on a ~~[pølice]~~ law enforcement animal
5 if he or she knowingly attempts to kill or disable or knowingly causes or attempts to cause serious
6 physical injury to a ~~[pølice]~~ law enforcement animal when that animal is involved in law
7 enforcement investigation, apprehension, tracking, or search, or the animal is in the custody of or
8 under the control of a law enforcement officer, department of corrections officer, municipal police
9 department, fire department or a rescue unit or agency.

10 2. The offense of assault on a ~~[pølice]~~ law enforcement animal is a class ~~[E]~~ A
11 misdemeanor, unless the assault results in the death of such animal or disables such animal to the
12 extent it is unable to be utilized as a ~~[pølice]~~ law enforcement animal, in which case it is a class ~~[E]~~
13 C felony."; and

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15 Further amend said bill and page, Section 577.095, Line 5, by inserting after all of said line and
16 section the following:

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18 "578.007. The provisions of section 574.130~~[;]~~ and sections 578.005 to 578.023 shall not
19 apply to:

20 (1) Care or treatment performed by a licensed veterinarian within the provisions of chapter
21 340;

22 (2) Bona fide scientific experiments;

23 (3) Hunting, fishing, or trapping as allowed by chapter 252, including all practices and
24 privileges as allowed under the Missouri Wildlife Code;

25 (4) Facilities and publicly funded zoological parks currently in compliance with the federal
26 "Animal Welfare Act" as amended;

27 (5) Rodeo practices currently accepted by the Professional Rodeo Cowboy's Association;

28 (6) The killing of an animal by the owner thereof, the agent of such owner, or by a
29 veterinarian at the request of the owner thereof;

30 (7) The lawful, humane killing of an animal by an animal control officer, the operator of an
31 animal shelter, a veterinarian, or law enforcement or health official;

32 (8) With respect to farm animals, normal or accepted practices of animal husbandry;

33 (9) The killing of an animal by any person at any time if such animal is outside of the
34 owned or rented property of the owner or custodian of such animal and the animal is injuring any
35 person or farm animal but this exemption shall not include ~~[pølice or guard dogs]~~ the killing or
36 injuring of a law enforcement officer dog while working;

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1 (10) The killing of house or garden pests; or
2 (11) Field trials, training and hunting practices as accepted by the Professional Houndsmen
3 of Missouri.
4 578.022. Any dog that is owned, or the service of which is employed, by a law enforcement
5 agency and that bites or injures another animal or human in the course of their official duties is
6 exempt from the provisions of sections 273.033 [~~and~~], 273.036 [~~and section~~], 578.012, and
7 578.024."; and
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9 Further amend said bill and page, Section B, Line 3, by inserting immediately after the word
10 "activity," the words "section 577.095 of"; and
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12 Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 5, by inserting immediately after the words
13 "constitution, and" the words "section 577.095 of"; and
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15 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
16 accordingly.