

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2031, Page 1, Section 209.204, Line 8, by
2 deleting the word "represent" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "misrepresent"; and

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4 Further amend said page and section, Line 10, by deleting the word "represents" and inserting in
5 lieu thereof the word "misrepresent"; and

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7 Further amend said page and section, Line 14, by deleting the word "as" and inserting in lieu thereof
8 the word "is";

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10 Further amend said section, Page 2, Line 24, by deleting the word "section" and inserting in lieu
11 thereof the word "subsection"; and

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13 Further amend said page, section, and line by deleting the word "commits" and inserting in lieu
14 thereof the words "is guilty of"; and

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16 Further amend said page and section, Line 25, by deleting the word "impersonation" and inserting in
17 lieu thereof the word "misrepresentation"; and

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19 Further amend said page and section, Line 26, by deleting the word "section" and inserting in lieu
20 thereof the word "subsection"; and

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22 Further amend said page, section and line by inserting after all of said line the following:

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24 "3. No person shall knowingly misrepresent any animal as an assistance animal for the
25 purpose of receiving the accommodations regarding assistance animals under the Fair Housing Act,
26 42 U.S.C. Section 3601 et seq., or the Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. Section 701 et seq. For
27 purposes of this section the term "assistance animal" shall include an emotional support animal.
28 Misrepresentation of an assistance animal includes, but is not limited to:

29 (1) Knowingly creating documents that falsely represent that an animal is an assistance
30 animal;

31 (2) Knowingly providing to another person documents falsely stating that an animal is an
32 assistance animal; and

33 (3) Knowingly fitting an animal, when the animal is not an assistance animal, with a
34 harness, collar, vest, or sign of the type commonly used by a person with a disability to indicate an
35 animal is an assistance animal.

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Action Taken _____ Date _____

1 A person who violates this subsection is guilty of a class C misdemeanor and shall also be civilly
2 liable for the amount of any actual damages resulting from such misrepresentation. Any second or
3 subsequent violation of this subsection is a class B misdemeanor."; and

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5 Further amend said page and section, Line 29, by deleting all of said line and inserting in lieu
6 thereof the following:

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8 "person with a disability, misrepresenting a dog as a service dog, or misrepresenting an animal as an
9 assistance animal. The commission shall refer"; and

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11 Further amend said page and section, Line 36, by inserting after all of said line the following:

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13 "6. The governor's council on disability shall prepare and make available online a brochure
14 for landlords and tenants regarding laws relating to service dogs and assistance animals and housing
15 under federal and Missouri law."; and

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17 Further amend said section by renumbering the section accordingly; and

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19 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
20 accordingly.