

CHAPTER 2023-253

Senate Bill No. 942

An act relating to the authorization of restrictions concerning dogs; amending s. 767.14, F.S.; authorizing public housing authorities to adopt certain policies relating to dogs; restricting the types of ordinances and policies that may be adopted; removing an exemption for local breed-specific ordinances adopted before a specified date; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 767.14, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

767.14 Additional local restrictions authorized.—This act does not limit any local government or public housing authority from adopting an ordinance or a policy, respectively, to address the safety and welfare concerns caused by attacks on persons or domestic animals, placing further restrictions or additional requirements on owners of dogs that have bitten or attacked persons or domestic animals, or developing procedures and criteria for the implementation of this act, provided that no such regulation is specific to breed, weight, or size and that the provisions of this act are not lessened by such additional regulations or requirements. ~~This section does not apply to any local ordinance adopted prior to October 1, 1990.~~

Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2023.

Approved by the Governor June 16, 2023.

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