CHAPTER 46

HEARING OR GUIDE DOGS FOR DEAF OR BLIND H.F. 150

AN ACT allowing deaf or blind persons to use and keep hearing or guide dogs and providing a penalty.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 601I.7 USE OF HEARING DOG. A deaf person has the right to be accompanied by a hearing dog, under control and especially trained at a recognized training facility to assist the deaf by responding to sound, in any place listed in sections 601D.3 and 601D.4 without being required to make additional payment for the hearing dog. A landlord shall waive lease restrictions on the keeping of dogs for a deaf person with a hearing dog. The deaf person is liable for damage done to any premise or facility by a hearing dog.

Sec. 2. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 601I.8 PENALTY FOR DENYING RIGHT. A person who denies or interferes with the right of a deaf person established by section 601I.7 is, upon conviction, guilty of a simple misdemeanor.

Sec. 3. Section 601D.5, Code 1983, is amended to read as follows:

601D.5 USE OF GUIDE DOGS. Every blind or partially blind person shall have the right to be accompanied by a guide dog, under control and especially trained for the purpose, in any of the places listed in sections 601D.3 and 601D.4 without being required to make any additional payment for the guide dog. He shall be A landlord shall waive lease restrictions on the keeping of a guide dog for a blind person. The blind person is liable for any damage done to the premises or facilities by such a guide dog.

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