CHAPTER 111

SERVICE ANIMALS AND SERVICE-ANIMALS-IN-TRAINING — INTENTIONAL MISREPRESENTATION

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AN ACT relating to the offense of intentional misrepresentation of an animal as a service animal or service-animal-in-training.

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

Section 1. Section 216C.11, subsection 3, paragraph b, Code 2025, is amended to read as follows:

b. A person commits the offense of intentional misrepresentation of an animal as a service animal or a service-animal-in-training if ~~all of the following elements are established:~~

~~(1) For~~, for the purpose of obtaining any of the rights or privileges set forth in state or federal law, the person intentionally misrepresents an animal in one's possession as one's service animal or service-animal-in-training or a person with a disability's service animal or service-animal-in-training whom the person is assisting by controlling.

~~(2) The person was previously given a written or verbal warning regarding the fact that it is illegal to intentionally misrepresent an animal as a service animal or a service-animal-in-training.~~

~~(3) The person knows that the animal in question is not a service animal or a service-animal-in-training.~~

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