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May 15, 2013

The Honorable Matt Schultz  
Secretary of State of Iowa  
State Capitol Building  
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

Senate File 247, an Act providing for the possession of cats classified as bengals and savannahs.

The above Senate File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terry E. Branstad".

Terry E. Branstad  
Governor

cc: Secretary of the Senate  
Clerk of the House



Senate File 247

AN ACT

PROVIDING FOR THE POSSESSION OF CATS CLASSIFIED AS BENGALS AND SAVANNAHS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 717F.1, subsection 5, paragraph b, Code 2013, is amended to read as follows:

b. *"Dangerous wild animal"* includes an animal which is the offspring of an animal provided in paragraph "a", and another animal provided in that paragraph or any other animal. It also includes animals which are the offspring of each subsequent generation. However, a dangerous wild animal does not include any of the following:

(1) The offspring of a domestic dog and a wolf, or the offspring from each subsequent generation in which at least one parent is a domestic dog.

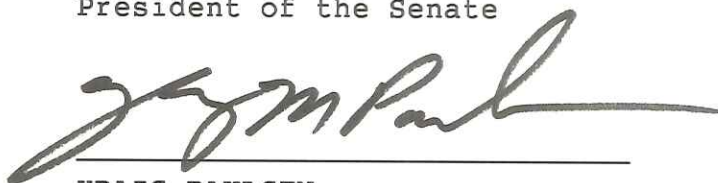
(2) (a) The offspring of a domestic cat and another member of the family felidae classified as a bengal with an ancestor classified as an Asian leopard cat which is a member of the species prionailurus bengalensis. The bengal must be the fourth or later filial generation of offspring with the first filial generation being the offspring of a domestic cat and an Asian leopard cat, and each subsequent generation being the offspring of a domestic cat.

(b) The offspring of a domestic cat and another member of the family felidae classified as a savannah with an ancestor classified as a serval which is a member of the species leptailurus serval. The savannah must be the fourth or later filial generation of offspring with the first filial generation being the offspring of a domestic cat and a serval, and each subsequent generation being the offspring of a domestic cat.



PAM JOCHUM

President of the Senate



KRAIG PAULSEN

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 247, Eighty-fifth General Assembly.



MICHAEL E. MARSHALL

Secretary of the Senate

Approved May 15, 2013



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