

By Senator Dawson

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to Broward County; authorizing
each municipality within the county to adopt an
ordinance regulating in public places the
control and confinement of certain dogs;
providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, there have been numerous incidents of tourists
being threatened by pit bulls on public beaches, and

WHEREAS, there were 115 pit bull and pit-mix bites in
Broward County in 1999 alone, and

WHEREAS, the number of attacks by these breeds far
exceeds those of other breeds, and

WHEREAS, there is concern for the safety of the
citizens of Broward County and its tourists in public places,
NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. Each municipality located within the
geographic boundaries of Broward County, Florida, shall have
the option of adopting an ordinance regulating the control and
confinement of dogs in public places, with the authority for
such regulations to be specific to breed, including mixed
breeds.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
law.