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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to sexual activities involving animals; creating s. 828.126, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting knowing sexual conduct or sexual contact with an animal; prohibiting specified related activities; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 828.126, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

828.126 Sexual activities involving animals.--

- (1) For purposes of this section, the term:
- (a) "Sexual conduct" means any touching or fondling by a person, either directly or through clothing, of the sex organs or anus of an animal or any transfer or transmission of semen by the person upon any part of the animal for the purpose of sexual gratification or arousal of the person.
- (b) "Sexual contact" means any contact, however slight, between the mouth, sex organ, or anus of a person and the sex organ or anus of an animal, or any penetration, however slight, of any part of the body of the person into the sex organ or anus of an animal, or any penetration of the sex organ or anus of the person into the mouth of the animal, for the purpose of sexual gratification or sexual arousal of the person.
- (c) "Photographs" or "films" means the making of a photograph, motion picture film, videotape, digital image, or any other visual recording.

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- (a) Knowingly engages in any sexual conduct or sexual contact with an animal;
- (b) Knowingly causes, aids, or abets another person to engage in any sexual conduct or sexual contact with an animal;
- (c) Knowingly permits any sexual conduct or sexual contact with an animal to be conducted on any premises under his or her charge or control;
- (d) Knowingly engages in organizing, promoting, conducting, advertising, aiding, abetting, participating in as an observer, or performing any service in the furtherance of an act involving any sexual conduct or sexual contact with an animal for a commercial or recreational purpose; or
- (e) Knowingly photographs or films, for the purposes of sexual gratification, a person engaged in any sexual conduct or sexual contact with an animal, or knowingly sells or transmits such a photograph or film

commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in
s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2008.