

**LIMITATION ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF ANIMALS**

2014 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Brian S. King**

Senate Sponsor: Ralph Okerlund

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill modifies Title 10, Chapter 8, Powers and Duties of Municipalities, and Title 18, Dogs.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ prohibits a municipality from enacting or enforcing a breed-specific rule, regulation, policy, or ordinance about dogs; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

⚡→ ~~None~~ This bill provides an effective date. ←⚡

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**10-8-65**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1967, Chapter 23

ENACTS:

**18-2-1**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*



28 Section 1. Section **10-8-65** is amended to read:

29 **10-8-65. Dogs -- License and tax -- Destruction, sale, or other disposal.**

30 [~~They~~] Subject to Section 18-2-1, a municipality may license, tax, regulate, or prohibit  
31 the keeping of dogs, and authorize the destruction, sale, or other disposal of the same when at  
32 large contrary to ordinance.

33 Section 2. Section **18-2-1** is enacted to read:

34 **18-2-1. Regulation of dogs by a municipality.**

35 (1) A municipality may not adopt or enforce a breed-specific rule, regulation, policy, or  
36 ordinance regarding dogs.

37 (2) Any breed-specific rule, regulation, policy, or ordinance regarding dogs is void.

37a **§→ Section 3. Effective date.**

37b **This bill takes effect on January 1, 2015. ←§**

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**Legislative Review Note**  
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