

SENATE BILL 2271
By Rice

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-7-112, relative to authorizing seeing-eye dogs in training to be allowed in public buildings for training purposes.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-7-112(a)(1), is amended by redesignating the subdivision as 62-7-112(a)(1)(A) and by then adding the following subdivision (B):

No proprietor, employee or other person in charge of any place of public accommodation, amusement or recreation, including, but not limited to, any inn, hotel, restaurant, eating house, barber shop, billiard parlor, store, public conveyance on land or water, theater, motion picture house, public educational institution or elevator, shall refuse to permit a dog guide trainer to enter such place or to make use of the accommodations therein provided, when such accommodations are available for the reason that the dog guide trainer is being led or accompanied by a dog guide in training; provided, that such dog guide in training, when led or accompanied by a dog guide trainer, is wearing a harness and is held on a leash by the dog guide trainer, or when led or accompanied by a dog guide trainer, is held on a leash by the dog guide trainer; and provided further, that the dog guide trainer shall first have presented for inspection credentials issued by an accredited school for training dog guides.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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