

**AN ACT**

**Bill 20-666**

**Emergency  
Declaration  
Res. 20-415  
20 DCStat 3112**

*To amend, on an emergency basis, the Animal Control Act of 1979 to clarify that an educational institution is permitted to have animals for educational and instructional purposes.*

**Codification  
District of  
Columbia  
Official Code  
2001 Edition**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Classroom Animal for Educational Purposes Clarification Emergency Amendment Act of 2014”.

**Classroom  
Animal for  
Educational  
Purposes  
Clarification  
Emergency  
Amendment  
Act of 2014**

Sec. 2. Section 9(h) of the Animal Control Act of 1979, effective October 18, 1979 (D.C. Law 3-30; D.C. Official Code § 8-1808(h)), is amended by adding a new paragraph (6) to read as follows:

**Note,  
§ 8-1808**

“(6) Paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply to educational institutions that possess animals for educational and instructional purposes and that otherwise comply with humane, sanitary, and safe treatment requirements, as set forth in section 502 of the Animal Protection Amendment Act of 2008, effective December 5, 2008 (D.C. Law 17-281; D.C. Official Code § 8-1851.02).”.

Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

Sec. 4. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no longer than 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788; D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).