

Amendment to HB 1186

1 Amend RSA 126-A:98 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 126-A:98 State Policy for Companion Animals. During a declared state of emergency containing  
4 an evacuation order, any hotel or community shelter which is required to shelter evacuated persons  
5 shall also shelter any companion animal belonging to such evacuated persons. During such  
6 emergency, any volunteer trained by the department of health and human services disaster animal  
7 response team who is assisting evacuated persons and companion animals shall be considered an  
8 emergency worker under RSA 21-P:41, VI. The maximum number of animals per family entering  
9 the hotel or community shelter shall comply with local ordinances. For the purpose of this section,  
10 "companion animal" means a cat, dog, or other animal kept in an enclosure that might typically  
11 found in a home.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires shelters to accept companion animals during a declared state of emergency.

This bill also defines "companion animal."

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