

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB1178</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Research Analysis**

HB 1178, as introduced, provides that any person that does not have a disability or is not training to assist individuals with disabilities who uses a service animal to gain treatment or benefits will be guilty of a misdemeanor, upon conviction. Additionally, no person will knowingly present any animal or therapy animal as a service animal to get any of the rights and privileges set forth for people with disabilities. Anyone who violates this will, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

HB 1178 prohibits individuals from intentionally misrepresenting any animal or therapy animal as a service animal. If convicted, the individual would face misdemeanor charges. This measure is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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**Other Considerations**

None.