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animal owners; definition

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**CHAPTER 115**  
**SENATE BILL 1060**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 11-1001, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO ANIMAL CONTROL.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2       Section 1. Section 11-1001, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4           11-1001. Definitions

5       In section 13-1208 and in this article, unless the context otherwise  
6 requires:

7           1. "Animal" means any animal of a species that is susceptible to  
8 rabies, except man.

9           2. "At large" means being neither confined by an enclosure nor  
10 physically restrained by a leash.

11          3. "County board of health" means the duly constituted board of  
12 health of each county.

13          4. "County enforcement agent" means that person in each county who  
14 is responsible for the enforcement of this article and the rules adopted  
15 under this article.

16          5. "County pound" means any establishment THAT IS authorized by the  
17 county board of supervisors for the confinement, maintenance, safekeeping  
18 and control of dogs and other animals that come into the custody of the  
19 county enforcement agent in the performance of HIS THE COUNTY ENFORCEMENT  
20 AGENT'S official duties.

21          6. "Department" means the department of health services.

22          7. "Impound" means the act of taking or receiving into custody by  
23 the county enforcement agent any dog or other animal for the purpose of  
24 confinement in a county pound in accordance with the provisions of this  
25 article.

26          8. "Kennel" means an enclosed, controlled area, inaccessible to  
27 other animals, in which a person keeps, harbors or maintains five or more  
28 dogs under controlled conditions.

29          9. "Livestock" means neat animals, horses, sheep, goats, swine,  
30 mules and asses.

31          10. "Owner":

32           (a) Means any person keeping WHO KEEPS an animal other than  
33 livestock for more than six consecutive days.

34           (b) DOES NOT INCLUDE A PERSON WHO KEEPS AN ANIMAL AT THE REQUEST OF  
35 AN ANIMAL SHELTER AS DEFINED IN SECTION 11-1022.

36          11. "Rabies quarantine area" means any area in which a state of  
37 emergency has been declared to exist due to the occurrence of rabies in  
38 animals in or adjacent to this area.

39          12. "Stray dog" means any dog three months of age or older running  
40 at large that is not wearing a valid license tag OR MICROCHIPPED.

41          13. "Vaccination" means the administration of an anti-rabies  
42 ANTIRABIES vaccine to animals by a veterinarian.

43          14. "Veterinarian", unless otherwise indicated, means any  
44 veterinarian WHO IS licensed to practice in this state or any veterinarian  
45 WHO IS employed in this state by a governmental agency.

1       15. "Veterinary hospital" means any establishment **THAT IS** operated  
2 by a veterinarian licensed to practice in this state **AND** that provides  
3 clinical facilities and houses animals or birds for dental, medical or  
4 surgical treatment. A veterinary hospital may have adjacent to it or in  
5 conjunction with it or as an integral part of it pens, stalls, cages or  
6 kennels for quarantine, observation or boarding.

7       16. "Vicious animal" means any animal of the order carnivora that  
8 has a propensity to attack, to cause injury to or to otherwise endanger  
9 the safety of human beings without provocation, **or** that has been so  
10 declared after a hearing before a justice of the peace or a city  
11 magistrate.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR MAY 8, 2023.

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