

REFERENCE TITLE: **technical correction; release of animals**

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SB 1033

Introduced by
Senator Shope

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 11-1023, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE
HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 11-1023, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 11-1023. Unauthorized release of animals; violation;
5 classification; damages

6 A person who intentionally releases an animal that is lawfully
7 confined for scientific, research, commercial, educational, ~~or for~~ public
8 event, display or exhibition purposes without the consent of the owner or
9 custodian of the animal is guilty of a class 6 felony and in addition is
10 liable for all of the following:

11 1. To the owner of the animal for damages including the costs of
12 restoring the animal to confinement and to its health condition before the
13 release.

14 2. For damages to real and personal property caused by the released
15 animal.

16 3. If the release causes the failure of an experiment or loss of
17 market value, for all costs of repeating the experiment and the loss of
18 value, including replacement of the animals, labor and materials.