

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 94

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTOUCET

WILDLIFE & FISHERIES: Allows the use of monkeys as service animals

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:6(30), relative to the regulation of nonhuman primates; to
3 authorize the use of such primates as service animals; and to provide for related
4 matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:6(30) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §6. Special powers and duties; statistics; rules and regulations; reports

8 The commission, through its secretary:

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10 (30) Shall promulgate rules and regulations to control the importation and
11 private possession of nonindigenous constrictors in excess of twelve feet in length,
12 venomous snakes, and nonhuman primates. The rules shall provide exceptions for
13 animal sanctuaries, zoos, aquariums, wildlife research centers, scientific
14 organizations, and medical research facilities, including but not limited to the
15 University of Louisiana at Lafayette Primate Center and the Tulane National Primate
16 Research Center. Such rules shall address internet purchase of such animals. Such
17 rules shall also provide for permits for certain institutions and for owners who can
18 prove ownership prior to July 1, 2003. Such rules shall also allow nonhuman

