

2020 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 253

BY SENATOR CARTER

ANIMALS. Prohibits the raffle or giving away of certain animals as a novelty or prize at a carnival or fair. (8/1/20)

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 3:2363.1, relative to the raffle of certain animals; to prohibit raffling or giving away certain animals as a novelty or prize at a carnival or fair; to provide for exemptions; to provide for a penalty; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 3:2363.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§2363.1. Raffle of animals as novelties or prizes prohibited; exemptions; penalty

A. No person, firm, or corporation shall raffle or give away any animal as a novelty or prize at a carnival or fair.

B. For purposes of this Section, the term "animal" shall mean chickens, ducks, iguanas, pot bellied pigs, rabbits, reptiles, fish, birds, and turtles.

C. Nothing in this Section shall prohibit a humane society, animal shelter, or a pet shop from caring for, adopting, or selling animals as pets.

D. Nothing in this Section shall prohibit a hunting club from raffling hunting dogs.

E. Any person, firm, or corporation convicted in a court of competent

1 **jurisdiction of violating the provisions of this Section shall be subject to a fine**
2 **of not more than one hundred dollars per violation. Each day on which a**
3 **violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense.**

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Curry Lann.

DIGEST

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Proposed law prohibits raffling or giving away any animal as a novelty or prize at a carnival or fair.

Proposed law defines the term "animal" as chickens, ducks, iguanas, pot bellied pigs, rabbits, reptiles, fish, birds, and turtles.

Proposed law exempts a humane society, animal shelter, or a pet shop from caring for, adopting, or selling animals as pets from the provisions of proposed law.

Proposed law exempts hunting clubs that raffle hunting dogs from the provisions of proposed law.

Proposed law subjects any person, firm, or corporation convicted in a court of competent jurisdiction of violating the provisions of proposed law to a fine of not more than \$100 per violation. Each day on which a violation occurs constitutes a separate offense.

Effective August 1, 2020.

(Adds R.S. 3:2363.1)