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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

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RELATING TO SERVICE ANIMALS.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1       SECTION 1.   Section 347-2.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2   amended to read as follows:

3       "§347-2.5   Service animal, defined.   As used in this  
4   chapter, "service animal" means any dog that is individually  
5   trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an  
6   individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory,  
7   psychiatric, intellectual, anxiety, emotional disorder, or other  
8   mental disability.   Other species of animals, whether wild or  
9   domestic, trained or untrained, are not service animals for the  
10   purposes of this definition.   The work or tasks performed by a  
11   service animal must relate directly to the individual's  
12   disability.   Neither the potential crime deterrent effects of an  
13   animal's presence nor the provision of [~~emotional support,~~]  
14   comfort[~~,~~] or companionship by an animal constitutes work or  
15   tasks for the purposes of this definition."

16       SECTION 2.   Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
17   and stricken.   New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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# S.B. NO. 2194

**Report Title:**

Service Animals; Emotional Support; Anxiety and Emotional Disorders

**Description:**

Specifies that anxiety and emotional disorders are disabilities for which service animals may be trained to assist. Permits animals that provide emotional support to qualify as service animals.

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