

A Bill for an Act Relating to Pigeons.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Chapter 322, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding new sections constituting a new part to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“PART . PIGEONS

Sec. 322- Definitions. As used in this part, the term:

- (1) ‘Carrier pigeon’ means homing and racing pigeons which are banded upon the leg with an identification leg band.
- (2) ‘Racing pigeon’ means any pigeon whose leg band identification is registered with any county or state or national or international pigeon racing organization.
- (3) ‘Show pigeon’ means any pigeon intended for show purposes which bears an identification leg band.
- (4) ‘Pigeon’ includes all carrier and show birds but does not pertain to birds raised for food or for similar commercial purposes.
- (5) ‘Identification leg band’ means the band placed around the pigeon’s leg identifying the other by name or initials or containing numbers or letters or a combination thereof.
- (6) ‘Department’ means the department of health.
- (7) ‘Loft’ means any structure in which pigeons are housed.

Sec. 322- Pigeon permits. The department shall issue a pigeon ownership permit to any owner who complies with the following requirements:

- (1) Has the pigeons banded with identification leg bands.
- (2) The loft is in compliance with regulations prescribed by the department and is maintained in a clean and orderly condition and kept in good repair.
- (3) The construction of the loft complies with the building code regulations and requirements of the county in which it is erected.
- (4) Any requirements of county zoning regulations relating to restrictions on the location of aviaries and poultry enclosures shall not apply to a loft for which a permit has been issued by the department.

Sec. 322- Scope of permit. Any person to whom the department has issued a pigeon permit may erect and maintain one or more lofts of carriers and show pigeons in the State as provided in the preceding section.

Sec. 322- Exercise, training, and racing. Any owner of carrier pigeons, to whom the department has issued a pigeon permit, or person acting for him, having in his control or possession and under restraint not more than twenty-five pairs of carrier pigeons in an area zoned for residential or for hotel and apartment uses shall be allowed to fly the pigeons for necessary exercise, training, and racing. Any such owner or person maintaining the carrier pigeons in areas zoned for other land uses shall fly not more than two hundred birds for necessary exercise, training and racing. Show pigeons which never are allowed to fly free are not within the foregoing control on carrier pigeons.”

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

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

(Approved June 15, 1971.)

* Edited accordingly.