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H.B. No. 2012

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to conditions of community supervision for defendants convicted of certain criminal offenses involving animals.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Article [42A.511](#), Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

Art. 42A.511. COMMUNITY SUPERVISION FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES INVOLVING ANIMALS. If a judge grants community supervision to a defendant convicted of an offense under Section [21.09](#), [42.09](#), [42.091](#), [42.092](#), [42.10](#), or [42.105](#), Penal Code, the judge may:

(1) require the defendant to relinquish custody of any animals in the defendant's possession;

(2) prohibit the defendant from possessing or exercising control over any animals or residing in a household where animals are present; or

(3) require the defendant to participate in a psychological counseling or other appropriate treatment program for a period to be determined by the court.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019