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H.B. No. 91

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\(c\)](#), Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

(c) 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. The change in law made by this Act applies to a defendant placed on community supervision on or after the effective date of this Act, regardless of whether the offense for which the defendant was placed on community supervision was committed before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.