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SYNOPSIS

"Nosey's Law"; prohibits use of elephants and other wild or exotic animals in traveling animal acts.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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1	AN ACT concerning the use of elephants and other wild or exotic
2	animals in traveling animal acts, designated as Nosey's Law, and
3	supplementing Title 23 of the Revised Statutes.
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5	BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6	of New Jersey:
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8	1. a. Notwithstanding any other law, or any rule or regulation
9	adopted pursuant thereto, to the contrary, no person shall use an
10	elephant or other wild or exotic animal in a traveling animal act.
11	b. Any person who violates this section shall be subject to the
12	penalties provided in section 10 of P.L.1973, c.309 (C.23:2A-10),
13	except that the criminal penalties provided in subsection f. of that
14	section shall not apply.
15	c. As used in this section:
16	"Mobile or traveling housing facility" means a vehicle, including
17	a truck, trailer, or railway car, used to transport or house an animal
18	used for performance.
19	"Performance" means any animal act, carnival, circus, display,
20	exhibition, exposition, fair, parade, petting zoo, presentation, public
21	showing, race, ride, trade show, or similar undertaking in which
22	animals perform tricks, give rides, or participate as accompaniments
23	for the entertainment, amusement, or benefit of a live audience.
24	"Traveling animal act" means any performance which requires
25	an animal to be transported to or from the location of the
26	performance in a mobile or traveling housing facility.
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28	2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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31	STATEMENT
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33	This bill, designated as "Nosey's Law," prohibits the use of
34	elephants and other wild or exotic animals in a traveling animal act.
35	The term "traveling animal act" is defined by the bill to mean any
36	performance which requires an animal to be transported to or from the
37	location of the performance in a mobile or traveling housing facility.
38	The term "mobile or traveling housing facility" is defined by the bill to
39	mean a vehicle—including a truck, trailer, or railway car—used to
40	transport or house an animal used for performance.
41	A person who violates the bill is subject to the penalties provided
42	in section 10 of "The Endangered and Nongame Species Conservation
43	Act," P.L.1973, c.309 (C.23:2A-10), including civil administrative

penalties, civil penalties, and injunctive relief, but not the criminal

penalties described in subsection f. of that section of law.

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