

**As Introduced**

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**H. B. No. 263**

**Representative Lanese**

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**A BILL**

To enact section 3717.14 of the Revised Code to  
generally allow an owner, keeper, or harbinger of  
a dog to take the dog in an outdoor dining area  
of a retail food establishment or food service  
operation.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 3717.14 of the Revised Code be  
enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 3717.14. (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of  
the Revised Code to the contrary, the director of agriculture,  
the director of health, or a board of health shall not adopt any  
rule or issue or enforce any order prohibiting an owner, keeper,  
or harbinger of a dog from taking the dog in an outdoor dining  
area of a retail food establishment or food service operation. A  
retail food establishment or food service operation may refuse  
to allow a dog in an outdoor eating area of the establishment or  
operation unless the dog is a service dog.

(B) As used in this section, "service dog" means any dog  
that is individually trained for the benefit of an individual  
with a disability to do work or perform tasks that are directly

related to the individual's disability.

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