HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 2250

and

By: Renegar and Enns

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An Act relating to animal rights charitable organizations; prohibiting the solicitation of contributions intended for out-of-state or for political purposes; defining terms; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 554.1 of Title 18, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. No animal rights charitable organization, professional fundraiser for an animal rights charitable organization or professional solicitor employed or retained by a professional fundraiser for an animal rights charitable organization shall engage in the solicitation of contributions from any person in this state intended to be used on program services or functional expenses

outside of this state or for political purposes inside or outside this state.

- B. As used in this section:
- 1. "Animal rights charitable organization" means any individual, organization, group, association, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, trust or other entity soliciting contributions in this state, other than a natural person, that is described in Section 501(c) of Title 26 of the United States Code, that is organized and operated primarily to benefit animal rights; and
- 2. "Contribution" shall have the same meaning as provided by paragraph 3 of Section 552.2 of Title 18 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT, dated 02/15/2016 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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