

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 57th Legislature (2020)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 3971

By: McBride, **Albright**, **Virgin**,
Manger, **West (Tammy)**,
Baker, **Rosecrants**, **Nichols**,
Provenzano and **Sterling** of
the House

8 and

9 **Weaver** of the Senate

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13 An Act relating to rescue animals; designating and
14 adopting the rescue animal as the state pet; defining
15 term; providing for codification; and providing an
16 effective date.

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

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 98.20 of Title 25, unless there
20 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 The rescue animal is hereby designated and adopted as the state
22 pet of the State of Oklahoma. As used in this section, "rescue
23 animal" shall mean any companion animal adopted from an animal
24 shelter licensed pursuant to the Commercial Pet Breeders and Animal

1 Shelter Licensing Act or animal welfare or rescue organization that
2 facilitates the adoption or housing of companion animals with the
3 intention of finding permanent adoptive homes or providing lifelong
4 care for companion animals.

5 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2020.

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7 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON WILDLIFE, dated 02/12/2020 - DO
8 PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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