

(1) WILLFULLY AND MALICIOUSLY INTERFERE WITH, INJURE, DESTROY, OR TAMPER WITH A HORSE USED FOR RACING OR BREEDING OR FOR A COMPETITIVE EXHIBITION OF SKILL, BREED, OR STAMINA;

(2) WILLFULLY START, INSTIGATE, ENGAGE IN, OR FURTHER AN ACT THAT INTERFERES WITH, INJURES, DESTROYS, OR TAMPERS WITH A HORSE USED FOR RACING OR BREEDING OR FOR A COMPETITIVE EXHIBITION OF SKILL, BREED, OR STAMINA; OR

(3) COMMIT AN ACT THAT TENDS TO INTERFERE WITH, INJURE, DESTROY, OR TAMPER WITH A HORSE USED FOR RACING OR BREEDING OR FOR A COMPETITIVE EXHIBITION OF SKILL, BREED, OR STAMINA.

(B) PENALTY.

A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN 1 YEAR AND NOT EXCEEDING 3 YEARS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 61.

In subsection (a) of this section, the former phrase "whether such horse be the property of himself or another," is deleted as unnecessary in light of the unqualified references to interfering with, injuring, destroying, or tampering with "a" horse.

In subsection (a)(2) of this section, the reference to "start[ing]" a horse is substituted for the former reference to "set[ting] [a horse] on foot" for clarity.

Defined term: "Person" § 1-101

10-621. IMPORT, OFFER, OR TRANSFER OF DANGEROUS ANIMAL.

(A) SCOPE OF SECTION.

(1) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A PERSON WHO:

(I) OFFERS THE SPECIES LISTED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION FOR SALE, TRADE, BARTER, IMPORT, OR EXCHANGE TO A PUBLIC ZOO, PARK, MUSEUM, OR EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION; OR

(II) HOLDS A VALID STATE OR FEDERAL PERMIT TO USE THE SPECIES LISTED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION FOR EDUCATIONAL, MEDICAL, SCIENTIFIC, OR EXHIBITION PURPOSES.

(2) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO AN ANIMAL OF A SPECIES OF WILDLIFE NOT KEPT AS A HOUSEHOLD PET THAT IS INDIVIDUALLY EXEMPTED FROM THIS SECTION UNDER A PERMIT ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

(B) PROHIBITED.