



**House  
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**LOCAL LAWS MAY NOT BAN  
OWNING CERTAIN ANIMAL BREEDS**

**House Bill 4298**

**Sponsor: Rep. Carl F. Gnodtke**

**Committee: Agriculture & Forestry**

**Complete to 4-23-96**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4298 AS INTRODUCED 2-2-95**

Public Act 426 of 1988 defines what constitutes a "dangerous animal," and provides for the confinement, tattooing, and destruction of a dangerous animal and the levying of penalties against the owner of such an animal that caused injury or death to another person. The bill would amend the act to prohibit a municipality from adopting or enforcing an ordinance that regulated or prohibited the possession of an animal based exclusively on its breed.

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