

**32-1301. Definitions.** As used in this act:

- (a) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, association, municipality or other business entity.
- (b) "Wildlife sanctuary" means a not-for-profit organization exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to section 501 (c)(3) of the internal revenue code of 1986, as in effect on July 1, 2006, that:
  - (1) Operates a place of refuge where abused, neglected, unwanted, impounded, abandoned, orphaned or displaced dangerous regulated animals are provided care for such animal's lifetime;
  - (2) does not conduct any commercial activity with respect to any dangerous regulated animal possessed by the organization;
  - (3) does not sell, trade, auction, lease or loan dangerous regulated animals, or parts thereof, which the organization possesses;
  - (4) does not breed any dangerous regulated animal of which the organization possesses, except as an integral part of the species survival plan of the American zoo and aquarium association;
  - (5) does not conduct any activity that is not inherent to the dangerous regulated animal's nature;
  - (6) does not use the dangerous regulated animal for any type of entertainment purposes; and
  - (7) operates a refuge in compliance with regulations promulgated by the United States department of agriculture for dangerous regulated animals, except non-native, venomous snakes, under the animal welfare act, public law 89-544, as amended and in effect on July 1, 2006, and the regulations and standards adopted under such act in effect on July 1, 2006, relating to operations, animal health and husbandry. All dangerous regulated animals shall be caged in compliance with the provisions set forth in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 32-1306, and amendments thereto.
- (c) "Possess" means to own, care for, have custody of or control.
- (d) "Dangerous regulated animal" means a live or slaughtered parts of:
  - (1) Lions, tigers, leopards, jaguars, cheetahs and mountain lions, or any hybrid thereof;
  - (2) bears or any hybrid thereof; and
  - (3) all non-native, venomous snakes.
- (e) "Local animal control authority" means an agency of the county or city that is responsible for animal control operations in such governmental entity's jurisdiction and includes the animal control officer, as defined by K.S.A. 47-1701, and amendments thereto, of such county or city. If the county or city does not have an animal control officer, for cities of the first class, the chief law enforcement officer shall have the local animal control authority duties and responsibilities pursuant to this act and for all other cities and counties, the county sheriff shall have the local animal control authority duties and responsibilities pursuant to this act.
- (f) "Registered designated handler" means a person who is registered or would be required to be registered pursuant to K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 32-1310, and amendments thereto.

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