

HB 390 – AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL           **390**

AN ACT               allowing companion dogs in the outdoor areas of restaurants.

SPONSORS:           Rep. Keith Murphy, Hills 7; Sen. Fuller Clark, Dist 21

COMMITTEE:          Commerce and Consumer Affairs

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ANALYSIS

This bill allows companion dogs of restaurant patrons in the outdoor areas of restaurants.

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Explanation:        Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
                          Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]  
                          Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Thirteen*

AN ACT allowing companion dogs in the outdoor areas of restaurants.

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1 1 New Paragraph; Restaurant Owners; Companion Dogs. Amend RSA 466:44 by inserting after  
2 paragraph II the following new paragraph:

3 III. A restaurant owner may allow properly disciplined and leashed companion dogs of  
4 restaurant patrons onto any outdoor patio areas owned by the restaurant. Such dogs shall not be  
5 allowed in food preparation or production areas, and there shall be no more than one dog per patron.  
6 The restaurant owner shall prominently display a sign at all outdoor patio entrances advising  
7 patrons as follows: “To preserve the rights of patrons with service animals, patrons with companion  
8 dogs shall be asked to move if the presence of that companion dog interferes with the service  
9 animal's ability to obey commands or assist its handler.”

10 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.