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## Our interpretation of Missouri bill SB 1032

<http://www.senate.mo.gov/08info/pdf-bill/intro/SB1032.pdf>

It seems to add wildlife refugees, aka sanctuaries, to regulated wildlife owner entities in MO, but at the same time removes some species (hyenas, large & venomous reptiles) from the regulated list, what ever is in [...] is removed if this bill passes, so this bill would add more regulation on wildlife sanctuaries that have exotic cats, but would remove reptile people from registering in their county, as currently venomous and big reptile people are supposed to register their animal with the county.

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### Current law:

<http://www.moga.state.mo.us/statutes/c500-599/5780000023.htm>

#### Missouri Revised Statutes

#### Chapter 578

#### Miscellaneous Offenses

#### Section 578.023

August 28, 2007

### Keeper of dangerous wild animals must register animals, exceptions -- penalty.

578.023. 1. No person may keep any lion, tiger, leopard, ocelot, jaguar, cheetah, margay, mountain lion, Canada lynx, bobcat, jaguarundi, hyena, wolf, bear, nonhuman primate, coyote, any deadly, dangerous, or poisonous reptile, or any deadly or dangerous reptile over eight feet long, in any place other than a properly maintained zoological park, circus, scientific, or educational institution, research laboratory, veterinary hospital, or animal refuge, unless such person has registered such animals with the local law enforcement agency in the county in which the animal is kept.

2. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor.

(L. 1983 S.B. 211 § 9, A.L. 2001 S.B. 462)

### NEW PROPOSED TEXT FROM PDF FILE Bill 1032:

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578.023. 1. No person [may] **shall own, possess, or** keep any lion, tiger,

2 leopard, ocelot, jaguar, cheetah, margay, mountain lion, Canada lynx,  
bobcat,  
3 jaguarundi, hyena, wolf, bear, **or** nonhuman primate[, coyote, any deadly,  
4 dangerous, or poisonous reptile, or any deadly or dangerous reptile over  
eight feet  
5 long,] in any place other than a properly maintained [zoological park,]:

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**EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted  
and is  
intended to be omitted in the law.<snip>**

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