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This act amends the statute regarding the use of service animals for those who are blind or deaf and for persons with other physical or sensory disabilities. Currently owners of public establishments cannot discriminate against a person with a disability who is using a service animal if the animal is properly harnessed or leashed and properly identified. This act removes the language that requires service animals to be properly identified as being from a recognized program that trains service animals and adds a definition for service animals from the Americans with Disabilities Act.