

1 AN ACT concerning animals.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Animal Control Act is amended by adding  
5 Section 9.1 as follows:

6 (510 ILCS 5/9.1 new)

7 Sec. 9.1. Reporting of stray dogs.

8 (a) In this Section, "hold" means to afford lodging.

9 (b) Any individual who decides to hold in his or her  
10 possession any lost or stray dog of which he or she is not the  
11 owner shall, within 48 hours of taking possession of the lost  
12 or stray dog shall:

13 (1) report to the police station and animal control  
14 facility nearest to the location where the dog was found  
15 all relevant information, including, but not limited to,  
16 where the dog was found, the name or any other information  
17 or identification tags found on the dog, tattoos, color,  
18 age, size, and gender of the animal and the individual's  
19 name and address;

20 (2) arrange for the dog to be scanned for the presence  
21 of a microchip by an animal control facility, animal  
22 shelter, veterinarian's office, or any other establishment  
23 with a working microchip scanner. The animal control

1 facility, animal shelter, or veterinarian's office must  
2 maintain a record of scanning the dog for a microchip; and

3 (3) make every reasonable attempt to contact the owner  
4 as soon as possible and relinquish the dog to the owner  
5 within a reasonable amount of time after making contact.

6 (c) The failure to report a lost or stray dog within 48  
7 hours of taking possession of the dog shall be punished by a  
8 fine of no less than \$50 and no more than \$500.