

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

725 ILCS 5/108-15 new

Amends the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963. Provides that a police dog who is trained in accordance with standards prescribed by the Director of State Police in consultation with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board may, consistent with the Fourth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution and Article I, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution, search for the presence of cannabis or a controlled substance by sniffing persons, vehicles, or other items, and if the sniffing indicates to a peace officer the presence of cannabis or a controlled substance in violation of the Cannabis Control Act or the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, such indication constitutes probable cause for a peace officer to search the person, vehicle, or other item that the police dog sniffed and any cannabis or controlled substances seized are admissible into evidence in a criminal prosecution.

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AN ACT in relation to criminal law.

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

4 Section 5. The Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963 is 5 amended by adding Section 108-15 as follows:

6 (725 ILCS 5/108-15 new)

7 <u>Sec. 108-15. Police dogs; controlled substance and</u> 8 cannabis violations.

9 (a) In this Section, "police dog" means a dog trained to
10 assist peace officers in their law enforcement duties.

(b) A police dog who is trained in accordance with 11 standards prescribed by the Director of State Police in 12 consultation with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training 13 Standards Board may, consistent with the Fourth and Fourteenth 14 15 Amendments to the United States Constitution and Article I, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution, search for the presence 16 17 of cannabis or a controlled substance by sniffing persons, vehicles, or other items, and if the sniffing indicates to a 18 19 peace officer the presence of cannabis or a controlled substance in violation of the Cannabis Control Act or the 20 Illinois Controlled Substances Act, such indication 21 constitutes probable cause for a peace officer to search the 22 person, vehicle, or other item that the police dog sniffed and 23 any cannabis or controlled substances seized are admissible 24 25 into evidence in a criminal prosecution.