



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2011 and 2012

HB1078

Introduced 02/03/11, by Rep. Jim Durkin

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act  
20 ILCS 2605/2605-582 new

Creates the Illinois Police Canine Certification Act. Creates the Illinois Police Canine Certification Board. Sets forth the membership of the Board. Provides that the Board shall establish requirements for certification of police canines used by law enforcement agencies within the State. Provides that the requirements shall be adopted by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board. Provides that each law enforcement agency that uses police canines shall comply with the certification requirements within 12 months after the adoption of the requirements. Amends the Department of State Police Law to provide that the Department of State Police shall provide administrative support to the Board. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the  
5 Illinois Police Canine Certification Act.

6 Section 5. Illinois Police Canine Certification Board;  
7 members.

8 (a) The Illinois Police Canine Certification Board (Board)  
9 is created. The Board shall consist of 11 members appointed as  
10 follows:

11 (1) two members appointed by the Illinois Chiefs of  
12 Police Association, one of whom shall represent the Chicago  
13 Police Department;

14 (2) two members appointed by the Illinois Sheriffs  
15 Association, one of whom shall represent the Cook County  
16 Sheriff's Department;

17 (3) two members appointed by the Department of State  
18 Police;

19 (4) two members representing the canine industry who  
20 shall be appointed by the Law Enforcement Training and  
21 Standards Board;

22 (5) two members appointed by the Fraternal Order of  
23 State Police; and

1           (6) the Chairman of the Law Enforcement Training and  
2           Standards Board or his or her designee.

3           (b) All Board members, except for appointed  
4           representatives from the canine industry, shall be sworn  
5           officers from municipal, county, or State police departments.  
6           All Board members shall have completed a State-recognized  
7           police canine training course or shall be recognized by the  
8           State as a canine trainer. In addition, all Board members shall  
9           have trained at least 3 police canine dogs or shall have served  
10          as a judge on at least 5 separate occasions with either the  
11          United States Police Canine Association or the North American  
12          Police Work Dog Association.

13          (c) Board members shall serve without compensation, but may  
14          be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses.

15          (d) The Chairman of the Board shall be appointed from among  
16          its members.

17          (e) The Department of State Police shall provide  
18          administrative support for the Board.

19          Section 10. Requirements for police canines.        Within 180  
20          days after its members are appointed and have qualified, the  
21          Illinois Police Canine Certification Board shall, by  
22          administrative rule, establish requirements for the  
23          certification of all police canines that are used by law  
24          enforcement agencies within the State. The canine  
25          certification requirements shall be submitted to and adopted by

1 the Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board within 90 days  
2 after receipt. Each law enforcement agency that uses police  
3 canines shall comply with the requirements within 12 months  
4 after the adoption of the requirements.

5 Section 20. The Department of State Police Law of the Civil  
6 Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding Section  
7 2605-582 as follows:

8 (20 ILCS 2605/2605-582 new)

9 Sec. 2605-582. Illinois Police Canine Certification Board.

10 The Department shall provide administrative support to the  
11 Illinois Police Canine Certification Board.

12 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
13 becoming law.