

1 AN ACT concerning guide dogs.

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

4 Section 5. The Guide Dog Access Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 1 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 630/1) (from Ch. 38, par. 65-1)

7 Sec. 1. When a blind, hearing impaired or physically  
8 handicapped person is accompanied by a dog which serves as a  
9 guide or leader for such person or when a trainer of a guide  
10 or leader dog is accompanied by a guide or leader dog or a  
11 dog that is at least 6 months old that is being trained to be  
12 a guide or leader dog, neither the ~~blind, hearing-impaired-or~~  
13 ~~physically-handicapped~~ person nor the dog shall be denied the  
14 right of entry and use of facilities of any public place of  
15 accommodation as defined in Section 5-101 of the "Illinois  
16 Human Rights Act", if such dog is wearing a harness and such  
17 person presents credentials for inspection issued by a school  
18 for training guide dogs.

19 Any violation of this Act is a Class C misdemeanor.

20 (Source: P.A. 83-93.)

21 Section 10. The White Cane Law is amended by changing  
22 Section 3 as follows:

23 (775 ILCS 30/3) (from Ch. 23, par. 3363)

24 Sec. 3. The blind, the visually handicapped, the hearing  
25 impaired and the otherwise physically disabled have the same  
26 right as the able-bodied to the full and free use of the  
27 streets, highways, sidewalks, walkways, public buildings,  
28 public facilities and other public places.

29 The blind, the visually handicapped, the hearing impaired

1 and the otherwise physically disabled are entitled to full  
2 and equal accommodations, advantages, facilities and  
3 privileges of all common carriers, airplanes, motor vehicles,  
4 railroad trains, motor buses, street cars, boats or any other  
5 public conveyances or modes of transportation, hotels,  
6 lodging places, places of public accommodation, amusement or  
7 resort and other places to which the general public is  
8 invited, subject only to the conditions and limitations  
9 established by law and applicable alike to all persons.

10 Every totally or partially blind, hearing impaired or  
11 otherwise physically disabled person or a trainer of support  
12 dogs, guide dogs, or hearing dogs shall have the right to be  
13 accompanied by a support dog, guide dog, or hearing dog  
14 especially trained for the purpose, or a dog that is at least  
15 6 months old that is being trained to be a support dog, guide  
16 dog, or hearing dog in any of the places listed in this  
17 Section without being required to pay an extra charge for the  
18 guide, support or hearing dog; provided that he shall be  
19 liable for any damage done to the premises or facilities by  
20 such dog.

21 (Source: P.A. 83-93.)