



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

SB1572

Introduced 2/15/2019, by Sen. John G. Mulroe

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

510 ILCS 5/9.1 new

Amends the Animal Control Act. Provides that any individual who decides to harbor or hold in his or her possession any lost or stray dog of which he or she is not the owner shall, within 48 hours of taking possession of the dog, report to the police station and animal control facility nearest to the place where the dog was found. Provides that, in the report to the police station and animal control facility, the individual shall include all relevant information, including, but not limited to, where the dog was found, the name or any other information or identification tags found on the dog, tattoos, color, age, size, and pedigree of the animal and the individual's name and address. Provides that the individual shall arrange for the dog to be scanned for the presence of a microchip by an animal control facility, animal shelter, veterinarian's office, or any other establishment with a working microchip scanner, and that the animal control facility, animal shelter, or veterinarian's office must maintain a record of scanning the dog for a microchip. Provides that the failure to report a lost or stray dog within 48 hours of taking possession of the dog shall be punished by a fine of no less than \$50 and no more than \$500.

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

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

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

1 maintain a record of scanning the dog for a microchip.

2 (3) Make every reasonable attempt to contact the owner
3 as soon as possible, and return the dog if the owner is
4 found.

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