

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 changing
5 Section 3 and by adding Section 3.5 as follows:

6 (510 ILCS 5/3) (from Ch. 8, par. 353)

7 Sec. 3. The County Board Chairman with the consent of the
8 County Board shall appoint an Administrator. Appointments
9 shall be made as necessary to keep this position filled at all
10 times. The Administrator may appoint as many Deputy
11 Administrators and Animal Control Wardens to aid him or her as
12 authorized by the Board. The compensation for the
13 Administrator, Deputy Administrators, and Animal Control
14 Wardens shall be fixed by the Board. The Administrator may be
15 removed from office by the County Board Chairman, with the
16 consent of the County Board.

17 The Board shall provide necessary personnel, training,
18 equipment, supplies, and facilities, and shall operate pounds
19 or contract for their operation as necessary to effectuate the
20 program. The Board may enter into contracts or agreements with
21 persons to assist in the operation of the program and may
22 establish a county animal population control program.

23 The Board shall be empowered to utilize monies from their

1 General Corporate Fund to effectuate the intent of this Act.

2 The Board is authorized by ordinance to require the
3 registration and may require microchipping of dogs and cats.
4 The Board shall impose an individual dog or cat registration
5 fee with a minimum differential of \$10 for intact dogs or cats.
6 Ten dollars of the differential shall be placed either in a
7 county animal population control fund or in the State's Pet
8 Population Control Fund. ~~If the money is placed in the county
9 animal population control fund it shall be used to (i) spay,
10 neuter, or sterilize adopted dogs or cats or (ii) spay or
11 neuter dogs or cats owned by low income county residents who
12 are eligible for the Food Stamp Program.~~ All persons selling
13 dogs or cats or keeping registries of dogs or cats shall
14 cooperate and provide information to the Administrator as
15 required by Board ordinance, including sales, number of
16 litters, and ownership of dogs and cats. If microchips are
17 required, the microchip number may serve as the county animal
18 control registration number.

19 In obtaining information required to implement this Act,
20 the Department shall have power to subpoena and bring before it
21 any person in this State and to take testimony either orally or
22 by deposition, or both, with the same fees and mileage and in
23 the same manner as prescribed by law for civil cases in courts
24 of this State.

25 The Director shall have power to administer oaths to
26 witnesses at any hearing which the Department is authorized by

1 law to conduct, and any other oaths required or authorized in
2 any Act administered by the Department.

3 This Section does not apply to feral cats.

4 (Source: P.A. 93-548, eff. 8-19-03; 94-639, eff. 8-22-05.)

5 (510 ILCS 5/3.5 new)

6 Sec. 3.5. County animal population fund use limitation.
7 Funds from the \$10 set aside of the differential under Section
8 3 of this Act that is placed in the county animal population
9 control fund may only be used to (1) spay, neuter, vaccinate,
10 or sterilize adopted dogs or cats; (2) spay, neuter, or
11 vaccinate dogs or cats owned by low income county residents who
12 are eligible for the Food Stamp Program or Social Security
13 Disability Benefits Program; or (3) spay, neuter, and vaccinate
14 feral cats in programs recognized by the county or a
15 municipality. This Section does not apply to a county with
16 3,000,000 or more inhabitants.